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# General Convention of the New Jerusalem

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

HELD IN NEW YORK CITY, N. Y., FROM SATURDAY MAY 21  
THROUGH WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 1910

SATURDAY, May 21, 1910.

1. THE ministers, delegates and visitors at the Ninetieth Annual Session of the General Convention assembled in the House of Worship of the New York Society on 35th Street at twelve o'clock noon. Service was conducted by the President, the Rev. S. S. Seward, who delivered his Annual Address, subject, "The Lord God Omnipotent."

2. At the close of the service the business meeting was called to order by the President.

3. The Rev. H. Clinton Hay, Secretary of the Council of Ministers, made a partial report for that body and offered the following resolutions which were *adopted*:—

*Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, and an application of the Ohio Association for the investiture of the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, the President of said Association, with the office and powers of a General Pastor, the sanction of the General Convention is hereby granted — the investiture to occur at a time and place convenient to Mr. Hoeck.

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4. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, and an application of the San Diego Society, sanctioned by the California Association, for the ordination of Dr. M. F. Underwood, the application is hereby granted, the time for the ordination to be fixed by the President of Convention, the Rev. S. S. Seward, and Dr. Underwood.

5. It was *voted*, That the offerings at the morning services in the New York, Brooklyn and Orange Churches be devoted to the general uses of Convention, and that the evening offerings in the same Churches be devoted to the Sunday-School Association.

6. It was *voted*, That the Chair appoint a committee of five to nominate candidates for the General Council and for the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, such committee to report at 11 o'clock, Monday morning.

7. The Convention then adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, May 23, 1910.

8. The Convention was called to order at 10 A. M. by the President, and the Rev. Everett K. Bray conducted the opening service.

9. The Assistant Secretary read Section 4 of the By-Laws, inviting all receivers of the doctrines to participate in the deliberations of the Convention.

10. The President appointed as Committee on Credentials: Rev. Paul Sperry, of Massachusetts; Mr. Arthur D. Ropes, of Massachusetts; and Mr. Arthur B. Stearns, of Maine. And as Committee on Nominations: Rev. Thos. French, Jr., of New York; Mr. E. H. Alden, of Pennsylvania; Rev. J. W. Stockwell, of Illinois; Mr. A. W. Manning, of California; and Mr. Franklin O. Whitney, of Massachusetts.

11. On account of the absence of the Secretary, Mr. C. A. E. Spamer, it was *voted*, That the Rev. Russell Eaton be appointed to assist the Assistant Secretary.

12. The Secretary presented to the Convention the reports

in print, reading their titles as follows: the President, the Secretaries, the Treasurer of the New-Church Theological School, the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, the Trustees of the New-Church Building Fund, the Board of Trustees of the National Church at Washington, D. C., the Trustees of the Pension Fund, the Trustee of the Rice Legacy, the Trustees of the Rotch Legacy, the Committee on Transportation, the Trustees of the Orphan Fund.

The Associations: Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Washington State, and the Denver Society.

The General Pastors: Rev. Messrs. John Faulkner Potts, John Goddard, Frank Sewall, Wm. L. Worcester, John S. Saul, S. S. Seward, and Julian K. Smyth.

The ministers: Rev. Messrs. Chas. Louis Carrière, O. L. Barler, Geo. W. Chase, Albert Björck, George Gay Daniel, and Eli W. Shields.

And miscellaneous reports: The Trustees of the Jungerich Publication Fund, the Auditors of the Account of the Trustees of the Jungerich Fund, the German Missionary Union, and the New-Church Board of Publication.

13. It was *voted*, That the reading of these reports, presented in print, be dispensed with.

14. The following reports, having been received by the Secretary too late to be printed, were read: The President of the New-Church Theological School, the California Association, the San Diego Society.

15. At this point the President called upon the Rev. M. F. Underwood, M. D., whose ordination had been authorized on Saturday and who had been ordained on Sunday, and introduced him to Convention. Dr. Underwood came forward and responded in a few appropriate words.

16. The report of the Board of Managers of the Theological School was then read.

17. Rev. Baman N. Stone was *elected* a member of the Board of Managers of the Theological School to fill the vacancy caused

by the death of the Rev. W. H. Hinkley; Rev. G. S. Wheeler was *elected* a Trustee in place of the Rev. J. C. Ager who had become a member of the Faculty of the School; and the Rev. Messrs. Frank Sewall and Julian K. Smyth and Dr. J. T. Prince were *re-elected* members of that Board.

18. The report of the Council of Ministers was read by its Secretary, Rev. H. Clinton Hay, and the following resolutions, which were recommended to Convention, were *adopted* :—

I. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, \$450 be appropriated for the translation of the Word.

19. II. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the sum of \$35 be paid to the American New-Church League as the Convention's proportion of the expense of printing and mailing the *Calendar* and that it be suggested to the League to adopt a more economical plan of publishing the *Calendar*.

20. III. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the President, the Rev. S. S. Seward, be requested to reply to Mr. Martin expressing the pleasure of the Convention in recognizing Mr. Martin's desire to enter the ministry of the Convention and encouraging him to do so in the manner provided for by the rules of the Convention.

21. The Nominating Committee reported through its Chairman, the Rev. Dr. French, the following nominations:—

For General Council: Rev. J. C. Ager, of Massachusetts; Rev. W. L. Worcester, of Pennsylvania; Rev. J. S. Saul, of Illinois; Rev. Charles W. Harvey, of Massachusetts; Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, of Ohio; Rev. E. D. Daniels, of Canada; Mr. W. N. Hobart, of Ohio; Mr. G. W. Thayer, of Michigan; Mr. C. H. Cutler, of Illinois; Mr. Warren Goddard, of Massachusetts; Mr. William McGeorge, Jr., of Pennsylvania; Mr. Robert A. Shaw, of New York; Mr. Richard B. Carter, of Massachusetts; and Dr. Joseph P. Cobb, of Illinois.

Board of Home and Foreign Missions: Rev. Messrs. Frank

Sewall, J. W. Stockwell, L. G. Hoeck, A. B. Francisco, and H. S. Conant, and Messrs. Ezra Hyde Alden, F. O. Whitney, Lloyd A. Frost, Charles Ruby, and Clark S. Reed.

22. The Vice-President took the chair.

23. It was *voted*, That the Convention proceed to the nomination from the floor of the Executive Officers.

24. Mr. J. E. Young nominated the Rev. James Reed for President. Rev. G. H. Dole nominated the Rev. S. S. Seward for President. Mr. William McGeorge, Jr., nominated Hon. Job Barnard for Vice-President. Mr. C. H. Cutler nominated Mr. James Richard Carter for Treasurer. Mr. C. A. E. Spamer was nominated for Recording Secretary and Mr. Paul H. Seymour was nominated for Assistant Secretary.

25. The President appointed Mr. John B. McGeorge to have the ballots printed.

26. Mr. J. E. Young offered the following resolution which was *adopted*: —

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer, James R. Carter, be and hereby is authorized in the name and on behalf of "The General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America," to sign, seal, acknowledge and deliver to Albert W. Holmes, of Providence, R. I., the deed conveying to said Albert W. Holmes all the right, title and interest of the said Convention in a lot of land, with all improvements thereon, in the City of Providence, State of Rhode Island, on the south-east corner of Atlantic Avenue and Niagara Street; said estate formerly belonging to William Donaldson, deceased.

27. Messrs. Wm. N. Hobart and F. O. Whitney were *re-elected* Trustees of the Building Fund.

28. The Rev. Julian K. Smyth and Hon. Job Barnard were *re-elected* Trustees of the Orphan Fund.

29. Messrs. Wm. McGeorge, Jr., and George Merrell were *re-elected* Trustees of the Pension Fund.

30. Mr. McGeorge offered the following resolution which was *adopted* after discussion and remarks by Rev. S. S. Seward,

Messrs. W. W. Tafel, C. W. Barron, Walter C. Rodman, and James R. Carter:—

*Whereas*, During the past year there has been an unexpected demand upon the resources of the Trustees of the Pension Fund to provide needed help in most deserving cases, so that the income of its invested funds proved utterly inadequate to meet the regular monthly pensions that have to be paid,

*And Whereas*, The experience of this year has fully demonstrated the great necessity of a pension fund of such proportions as will enable the Trustees to meet any and every proper demand that may be made upon it, and until such a principal has been accumulated, that the income may be so augmented by the yearly collections from the Societies that the Treasurer will always and instantly be able to honor any drafts that may be made upon him by the Board or Executive Committee for help when and where needed,

*Therefore Resolved*, That the Convention reminds the various Societies composing it of the Resolution passed by it in 1906, see Minute, No. 97, and renews its recommendation that every Society should at Thanksgiving time or at some other suitable time and at least once a year, take up a collection for the benefit of the Pension Fund, and in making that collection should not have in view simply the current needs, but the necessity of gradually increasing the permanent funds to such an amount that the income therefrom will always be sufficient to meet all proper demands and supply all needs.

31. The time having arrived for the consideration of the work of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, the Rev. Paul Sperry, who had been requested by the Board to preside in the absence of Mr. W. W. Towle, took the chair. Remarks were made by the Rev. Messrs. J. B. Spiers, Adolf Goerwitz, Harold S. Conant and Frank Sewall.

A paper was read by Mr. Frederick M. Billings and further remarks were made by Rev. J. C. Ager, Mr. R. B. Carter, Rev. G. S. Wheeler, Mr. J. E. Young, Rev. Russell Eaton, Rev. L. G. Landenberger and Mr. C. W. Barron.

32. The Conference then adjourned and the Convention adjourned for the noon hour.

2.30 P. M.

33. The Convention was called to order by the President at 2.30 P. M.

34. The Secretary read a series of resolutions authorizing the sale of certain described property in Joliet, Ill., said property consisting of twenty-two lots numbered 39 to 60 inclusive in the New-Church Sub-division of Joliet, belonging to the Bissell estate to Mr. Frank J. Kelley, for \$8,500, which resolutions at the request of said purchaser are to be incorporated in a deed to him to be recorded in Will County, Ill., whereupon said resolutions were adopted with the understanding that in view of their great length and the fact that they are to be recorded with said deed, they be not spread upon the Minutes of the Convention.

35. The Committee on Education made a report through its Chairman, the Rev. Louis F. Hite. The written report was not ready but Mr. Hite requested that his verbal report be accepted because of his inability to be present after this session. It was *voted*, That this informal report be accepted and that the privilege of presenting and having printed in the JOURNAL the formal report be granted.

36. The Secretary read the reports of the Canada Association and of the Rev. Messrs. F. L. Higgins and G. J. Fercken.

37. The following resolution presented by Mr. E. H. Alden was *adopted*:—

*Whereas*, Section 17 of the By-Laws provides that "All reports of Associations, Societies, General Pastors and unattached Ministers shall be sent to the Secretaries at least four weeks previous to the meeting of the Convention and shall be prepared by the Secretaries and presented to the Convention in print,"

*And Whereas*, Disregard of this rule has led to several such reports being presented and read at the Convention session at the cost of considerable valuable time,

*Resolved*, That in future, reports of Associations, Societies, General Pastors, and unattached Ministers not sent to the Secre-

taries in accordance with said Section 17 of the By-Laws shall only be read when directed by a majority vote of the Convention.

38. The Secretary read the reports of the Rev. James Reed as General Pastor and of the Representative to the Inter-Church Conference on Marriage and Divorce.

39. The report of the Committee on the International Swedenborg Congress was read by its Chairman, Rev. Frank Sewall and the following resolutions contained therein were *adopted*:—

I. *Resolved*, That the President of the Convention be authorized and is requested to name one or more representatives to confer with the English brethren as to coöperation in the support of the research and publishing work in Sweden.

40. II. *Resolved*, That the Board of Home and Foreign Missions be and is hereby authorized to name one or more representatives of the Board to confer with the brethren in England in regard to the joint support of New-Church Missions in the continent of Europe and in Japan.

41. The report of the Rev. John S. Saul, Editor and Publisher of the *New-Church Messenger*, was read and *accepted*.

42. Remarks regarding the report were made by the Rev. Frank Sewall, Mr. C. W. Barron, Rev. S. S. Seward and Mr. R. A. Shaw, and Mr. Shaw moved the adoption of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That we commend the good work of the Editor of the *New-Church Messenger* and are gratified at the improvements which have been accomplished.

*Resolved further*, That the appointment of the editor for the ensuing year be placed in the hands of the General Council.

After discussion by Rev. J. C. Ager, and Messrs. Billings, Barron, R. A. Shaw, Young, Alden and the Rev. Messrs. Dole, Hunter and Harvey, the Rev. L. G. Landenberger moved to amend by striking out the last part beginning with the words, "Resolved further, etc."

Remarks upon the amendment were made by Messrs. Hobart, Frost, McGeorge, R. A. Shaw, and the Rev. Messrs. Landenberger, Roeder, Smyth and Reed after which the amendment

was *carried*. A division was called for and taken by the raising of hands which showed a large majority in favor of the amendment.

The amended resolution was then *carried* by a unanimous vote.

43. The Convention adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 24, 1910.

44. The Convention was called to order at 10:15 A. M. by the President and the opening service was conducted by the Rev. J. R. Hunter.

45. The minutes of Monday's meeting were read and after several corrections were approved.

46. An appeal from Dr. L. E. Calleja of Guadalajara, Mexico, for funds for the support of his Spanish New-Church paper, was read and upon motion it was *referred* to the Board of Missions.

47. The Chairman of the Credential Committee, the Rev. Paul Sperry, reported the roll of Convention as follows:—

ROLL.

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.—*Minister*: Rev. Maro F. Underwood.  
*Delegate*: A. W. Manning.

CANADA ASSOCIATION.—*Minister*: Rev. E. D. Daniels.  
*Delegates*: J. B. McLachlan, Alec M. Elder, Charles Ruby.

CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION.—*Minister*: Rev. Samuel Worcester.  
*Delegates*: Mrs. S. Worcester, Mrs. C. G. R. Vinal.

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers*: Rev. J. S. Saul, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, Rev. John W. Stockwell, Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Rev. F. A. Gustafson, Rev. A. B. Francisco.

*Delegates*: J. R. Putnam, C. H. Cutler, C. S. Reed, H. D. Belcher, Rudolph Williams, Mrs. A. B. Francisco, Mrs. F. B. Felt, William Niles, Frederick Layton.

MAINE ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers*: Rev. Baman N. Stone, Rev. Everett K. Bray.

*Delegates*: Miss L. Theresa Moses, Arthur B. Stearns.

MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. Frank Sewall, Rev. H. S. Conant, Rev. J. B. Spiers, Rev. G. H. Dole.

*Delegates:* Job Barnard, Lewis Barrington, A. C. Crownfield, George Pausch.

MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. James Reed, Rev. H. C. Hay, Rev. C. W. Broomell, Rev. John Goddard, Rev. Paul Sperry, Rev. C. W. Harvey, Rev. L. F. Hite, Rev. John Whitehead, Rev. Hiram Vrooman, Rev. C. E. Ritter, Rev. George S. Wheeler, Rev. Warren Goddard, Jr., Rev. Charles Hardon, Rev. J. Paul Dresser.

*Delegates:* J. R. Carter, C. W. Barron, R. B. Carter, Horace P. Chandler, Fred R. French, Lloyd A. Frost, Wesley N. Gray, A. E. Goddard, S. C. Jensen, A. W. Parker, John T. Prince, Arthur Ropes, George C. Warren, J. E. Young, S. W. Keene, John Midget, B. A. Jackson, Franklin O. Whitney, T. D. W. Wood, Benj. Randall, Benj. M. Sherrill.

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.—*Minister:* Rev. S. S. Seward.

*Delegate:* Geo. W. Thayer.

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. Julian K. Smyth, Rev. J. C. Ager, Rev. Thomas French, Jr., Rev. William Diehl, Rev. Arthur Mercer, Rev. William H. Schliffer, Rev. Adolph Roeder.

*Delegates:* Edward Sherer, Francis J. Worcester, E. P. Call, Eben Sugden, W. C. Hubbell, Carl H. DeSilver, Dr. J. L. Moffat, R. A. Shaw, Prescott A. Sherer, J. Milar Nichol, John F. Seekamp, Fred M. Billings, Miss A. Grebenstein.

OHIO ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. L. G. Hoeck, Rev. Russell Eaton, Rev. J. R. Hunter.

*Delegates:* William N. Hobart, Mrs. William N. Hobart, Miss Lilian Julian, Miss Hazel Hunt, Howard Hunt, James Chapman, Miss Natalie Dodd, Mrs. M. G. Brown, Mrs. Alfred Goodell, Mrs. F. M. Nicholas, Miss Gertrude Niles, John H. James, Miss Frances James, Gould Brown, Miss Luther Nickerson, Paul H. Seymour, Mrs. E. A. Beaman.

PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. William L. Worcester, Rev. John R. Stephenson, Rev. Robert S. Fischer, Rev. John W. MacPherson.

*Delegates:* W. C. Rodman, F. H. Hemperley, Richard A. Lewis, William McGeorge, Jr., Louis Jack, Adolph Ahrens, Jr., Frederic Schoff, Charles J. Shoemaker, Paul Vosburg, E. H. Alden, Herbert Stockwell, Mrs. Frederic Schoff, Mrs. Chas. J. Shoemaker, Mrs. F. H. Hemperley, Mrs. E. H. Alden.

SWITZERLAND. — *Minister:* Rev. Adolph Goerwitz.

RECAPITULATION.

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48. The report of the Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Building Fund was read by its Chairman, the Rev. Frank Sewall, and the following resolution contained therein was *adopted*: —

*Resolved*, That in view of what seems the auspicious moment for the New Church at large to testify to its appreciation of the message of Swedenborg by the side of the distinguished national and academic honors being paid to his science and philosophy — the Convention urges upon the favorably disposed members of the New Church in America to increase by prompt and liberal subscriptions the Fund now in hand, and amounting to about \$8,000 to what shall be considered *one-half* the amount required (outside of the property and funds held by the Swedish New-Church Congregation), for erecting the suitable Memorial Building to be devoted to the Public Worship and other religious uses of the New Church according to the Doctrines contained in the theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg; and that the Trustees of the Memorial Fund be authorized by the Convention to lay before the Conference of the New Church in England a request for its coöperation by procuring the other half of the requisite Fund.

49. The President appointed Messrs. J. E. Young and W. J. Hoe tellers for the election of the Executive Officers, and Messrs. E. H. Alden and F. H. Hemperley tellers for the election of the General Council and the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.

50. The Vice-President was called to the chair.

51. The Rev. Frank Sewall, Chairman of the Committee on the Revision of the *Magnificat*, reported by presenting the new book, a few advance copies of which had been distributed, and

the Rev. C. W. Harvey explained the preparation of it, the cost, etc., especially commanding the work done by Miss Maud Sewall. The Rev. S. S. Seward advocated the use of a better paper and Mr. Harvey answered a great many questions which were asked by various members.

It was *voted*, To accept the report and to express sincere thanks to the Committee for their labors and especially to Miss Maud Sewall.

52. The report of the General Council was presented by its acting Secretary, Rev. C. W. Harvey. The various recommendations were *adopted separately* and the report was *adopted as a whole*. (For full report see page 46.)

The recommendations adopted are as follows:—

I. That, in the matter of the permanent Bureau of Information suggested by Mr. John R. Swanton, the uses described (see pp. 184-186, JOURNAL, 1909) are approved and that the suggestion be referred to the Bureau of Information already established with the recommendation that that Bureau extend its activity to include the uses contemplated, calling to their aid the Evidence Society, the Theological School and the Book-rooms of the Church.

53. II. That, in the matter of Mr. Barron's proposal to give the *de luxe* edition of Swedenborg to the King of England and other notables provided the English Conference would give the Concordance, in the opinion of the Council it is inadvisable to accompany the action proposed with the condition suggested by Mr. Barron, and that the Committee be requested to carry out the original resolution.

54. III. That, in the matter of the Delaware County Society of late years inactive, the Rev. Wm. L. Worcester be appointed as representative of the Convention in any conference desired by the present trustee of the property.

55. IV. That the report and recommendation of the Trustees of the Building Fund be adopted as follows:—

*Whereas*, When the Board of Trustees of the Building Fund was constituted (See JOURNAL of 1875, Minute, No. 107), it

was *inter alia* provided that interest on such mortgage loans as might be made by the Trustees to societies, to aid in the erection of New-Church places of worship in America, should be paid at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, and that the principal should be repaid in annual instalments of not less than 10 per cent:

And *Whereas*, the rate of interest thirty-five years ago was higher than it is now, and it was the manifest intention to aid societies desiring to build by charging about two-thirds of the market rate of interest:

And *Whereas*, the provision requiring the repayment of not less than 10 per cent annually, has been shown to be practically prohibitive, many societies which would like to borrow being unable for a year or two to comply with this requirement, therefore

*Resolved*, That the above two provisions be abrogated, and that the Trustees of the Building Fund be, and they are hereby authorized to fix such other rate of interest, and such other time and mode of repayment of the principal, as they in their discretion may from time to time deem best, and as the circumstances of each case may require, including the right to waive the payment of interest and of annual instalments of principal for such length of time as the best interests of the aided society and its actual needs and circumstances may require, to the end and intent that it may not be necessary in the future to invoke action by the General Council or the Convention in emergencies of this character.

56. V. That the Treasurer be authorized to incur any reasonable expense in the Defenbaugh matter.

57. VI. That the Treasurer be authorized to pay all demands of the President or Trustees of the Pension Fund from the principal if there is no unexpended income of the Fund in his hands.

58. In the matter of the charges against Rev. Eugene J. E. Schreck the General Council having reported to the Convention that it had heard the charges against Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, had carefully considered the issue involved, and had dismissed the

case from further consideration, the adoption of the report of the General Council by the Convention (Minute 52) approved the action of the Council in the premises.

59. The tellers reported as the result of the ballot for the Executive Officers of the Convention that each of the following had received a majority of the votes cast for the office to which he had been nominated and they were therefore declared *elected*: President, Rev. S. S. Seward; Vice-President, Hon. Job Barnard; Treasurer, Mr. James Richard Carter; Recording Secretary, Mr. C. A. E. Spamer; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Paul H. Seymour.

60. The report of the Treasurer of Convention was presented in print.

61. The hour of noon having arrived the Rev. H. Clinton Hay took the chair and the "Religious Conference" upon the subject "The New Religion" was held with papers as follows: "Use, the Life of Religion," by the Rev. Hiram Vrooman. "The Christ, the Center of Religion," by the Rev. Wm. L. Worcester. "The Word of God, the Guide of Religion," by the Rev. John W. Stockwell.

62. The tellers reported as the result of the ballot for the elective members of the General Council and the Board of Home and Foreign Missions that each of the following had received a majority of the votes cast for the office to which he had been nominated and they were accordingly declared *elected*:—

For the General Council: Rev. Messrs. Wm. L. Worcester, of Pennsylvania; John S. Saul, of Illinois; Louis G. Hoeck, of Ohio; Charles W. Harvey, of Massachusetts; and Messrs. Warren Goddard, of Massachusetts; Wm. N. Hobart, of Ohio; C. H. Cutler, of Illinois; Wm. McGeorge, Jr., of Pennsylvania; Robert A. Shaw, of New York; and Richard B. Carter, of Massachusetts.

For the Board of Home and Foreign Missions for three years: Rev. Messrs. Louis G. Hoeck, of Ohio; Frank Sewall, of Maryland; Harold S. Conant, of Maryland; and Messrs. Lloyd A.

Frost, of Massachusetts; E. H. Alden, of Pennsylvania; and F. O. Whitney, of Massachusetts.

63. The Convention then adjourned for the noon hour.

2.45 P. M.

64. The Convention was called to order for the afternoon session by the President at 2.45 o'clock.

65. A report was read by Mr. C. W. Barron, Chairman of a Committee regarding the presentation of the *de luxe* edition of Swedenborg's writings to some of the crowned heads of Europe and others and the following resolutions were offered: —

I. *Resolved*, That President S. S. Seward of this Convention, Rev. Frank Sewall and Clarence W. Barron be a Committee with full power to present to the King of England, the Emperor of Germany, the King of Sweden, the King of Italy, and other European Sovereigns, and also to the Mikado of Japan, the Emperor of China and the President and ex-President of the United States, sets of the edition *de luxe* of the Theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg in behalf of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America.

II. *Resolved*, That this Committee be authorized to coöperate with the Swedenborg Society of London, should the latter desire to present, in connection with its hundredth anniversary, copies of Pott's "Concordance of Swedenborg."

III. *Resolved*, That the sum of \$1,000 from the funds of the Convention be placed at the disposal of this Committee to carry out the resolutions.

66. The resolutions were laid on the table to allow the order of business to be carried out and the Address from the English Conference to the Convention was read by the Rev. C. W. Harvey.

67. The Vice-President was called to the chair.

68. The Address to the English Conference from the Convention was read by the Rev. C. W. Harvey who had been requested to prepare it.

69. It was *voted*, That the Convention has heard with pleasure and warm appreciation the Address of the English Conference to the Convention, prepared by the Rev. Mark Rowse, its President; and adopts the reply prepared by the Rev. Charles W. Harvey as the Address of the Convention to the English Conference; and expresses the hope that it may be sent by one of the Messengers of the Convention to the Conference, so that it may reach the Conference in time for its approaching session.

70. It was *voted*, That, whereas the Rev. Julian K. Smyth, Hon. Job Barnard and Mr. Wm. McGeorge, Jr., expect to go to the English Conference, they be appointed Messengers from the Convention to the Conference.

71. The report of the Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts was read by the Chairman, the Rev. J. C. Ager.

72. The report of the Literary Bureau was read by its Chairman, the Rev. J. C. Ager, and reports of sub-committees of the Bureau were read as follows: Committee on Study of Special Problems, Rev. J. W. Stockwell; Committee on Clippings, Rev. C. W. Broomell; Committee on Suburban Missionary Field, orally presented by Mr. E. H. Alden; Committee on Ways of Cooperation, Mr. R. A. Shaw.

73. The time having arrived for the presentation of memorials, it was *voted*, To postpone them until Wednesday.

74. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Geo. C. Warren:—

*Resolved*, That the report and recommendation of the Literary Bureau be accepted; that the Convention heartily approves of the proposed publication of a large abridged edition of the "True Christian Religion" for free distribution among the clergy of the United States and Canada, and that the Publication and Trust Boards and individual members of the New Church be and they hereby are earnestly requested, by financial and moral support, to make the work a success.

After discussion by the Rev. Messrs. Conant, Broomell and Stone, and Mr. Ruby and Dr. Prince, the resolution was amended by adding the following:—

That the Jungerich Trustees be and they are hereby requested to favorably act on the offer which has been made in the report of the Literary Bureau to assist them in distribution of the "Gift Books."

The amended resolution was *adopted*.

75. A Vesper Service was then conducted by the Rev. George S. Wheeler with a sermon by the Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz.

76. The Convention then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 25, 1910.

77. The Convention was called to order at 10 A. M. by the President, and the Rev. Warren Goddard, Jr., conducted the religious service.

78. The minutes of Tuesday's meetings were read and after corrections *approved*.

79. The resolutions of Mr. Barron were taken from the table (See Minute 65), and were discussed by Rev. John Whitehead and Mr. C. S. Reed, of Chicago.

80. An amendment was moved, That in each instance the persons first be asked to indicate whether they will accept such a gift. The amendment was discussed by the Rev. Messrs. Dole, Stockwell, Whitehead and Conant, and Messrs. Barnard, Haines and Frost.

81. It was *voted*, To refer the whole matter to the General Council with full power.

82. The following resolution offered by Mr. Wm. McGeorge, Jr., was *adopted*:—

*Whereas*, Our venerable brother, Mr. George W. Thayer, has felt constrained by the infirmities of age to request that he be excused from further service on the General Council:

Therefore *Resolved*, That the Convention, while acceding to his request desires to put on record its profound appreciation not only of his long, devoted and faithful service but especially of his high courage and indomitable persistence at times when these qualities were sorely needed and express the hope that his

example may be an inspiration and stimulus to those coming after him.

83. The Rev. Paul Sperry offered the following resolution which was *adopted*:—

*Resolved*, That in view of the coming International Esperanto Congress to be held in the City of Washington, D. C., in August, 1910, a committee of five be appointed by this Convention to consider the request of the Congress officials that Divine service in Esperanto be held in our National Church, said committee to carry out the request if deemed practical and advisable by them. Said committee to include the pastor of the Washington Society and two members of the National New-Church Esperanto Society and to be appointed by the President of the Convention.

84. The report of the Bureau of Information of which Mr. C. A. E. Spamer is Chairman, was made by Mr. Seymour to the effect that the card directory had been extended and had been of considerable use during the year.

85. The following memorials were read:—

In memory of the Rev. Willard Hall Hinkley, prepared by Rev. Messrs. James Reed and John Goddard, and read by Mr. Reed.

#### **[J. A. T.] IN MEMORIAM THE REVEREND WILLARD HALL HINKLEY.**

In placing on record its appreciation of the character and services of the Rev. Willard Hall Hinkley, the Convention recalls with gratitude his life-long devotion to the New Church. Entering the ministry of the Church at an early age, he continued in the active performance of its duties to the end of his life. He served the Convention as its Secretary for many years. But his latest and longest service was in the capacity of Secretary of our Board of Missions and superintendent of its work in which he always felt the deepest interest. We shall ever hold him in highest esteem, and most affectionate remembrance. We follow him in love and thought to the world which he is now entering.

In memory of the Rev. Louis Hermann Tafel, prepared by Rev. Messrs. John Whitehead and John C. Ager, and read by Mr. Whitehead.

**IN MEMORIAM THE REVEREND LOUIS HERMANN TAFEL.**

The Rev. Louis Hermann Tafel passed into the spiritual world November 29, 1909. He was ordained October 5, 1869. He has served as Pastor of the German Society of Philadelphia, the Advent Society of Philadelphia, the Societies at Urbana, Ohio, and Berlin, Canada, and the German Society of Baltimore. Mr. Tafel has been very active in the work of the German Missionary Union. He was editor-in-chief of the *Newkirchenblatt*, the organ of the Missionary Union, and has done much to promote the cause of the New Church among the German people of this country and in Germany. He has been a great literary worker. In conjunction with his father and his brother, the late Dr. Rudolph L. Tafel, he translated the Bible into German, and has just completed a revision of the same which is now in press. In his work for the Convention on the translation of the Word, Mr. Tafel has done a work which no other scholar of the Church could do, the results of which we have in the Hebrew and Greek Vocabularies, and in the translation of the Psalms, Joshua, Judges, Samuel and Kings, and in many of his manuscripts. His loss will be severely felt in this work now being done by the Convention.

We desire to place on record our deep appreciation of Mr. Tafel's loyalty to the doctrines of the New Church and of his devotion to its cause. We would express our love for our brother, and our deep sense of obligation for his scholarly attainments, which have been so unselfishly devoted to the cause of the New Church for so many years; and we tender to his beloved wife and family our heartfelt sympathy with them in our common loss.

In memory of the Rev. Gustave Reiche, prepared by Rev. Messrs. L. G. Landenberger and John S. Saul and read by Mr. Landenberger.

**IN MEMORIAM THE REVEREND GUSTAVE REICHE.**

Gustave Reiche, who was ordained into the ministry of the New Church May 16, 1869, passed into the other life at his home in Seattle, Wash., on February 23, 1910.

During his nearly forty years in the ministry, he served the New Church in both the German and English languages, performing missionary work and as Pastor of New-Church Societies in the Middle West and on the Pacific Coast. He was a man of strong convictions, and a loyal preacher of the heavenly doctrine of the New Jerusalem.

We hereby place upon record our appreciation of his long and faithful service, rendered at times when it called for much sacrifice and courage.

In memory of the Rev. William H. Mayhew, prepared by Rev. Messrs. H. Clinton Hay and William L. Worcester, and read by Mr. Hay.

IN MEMORIAM THE REVEREND WILLIAM H. MAYHEW. 1837-1910.

In transferring the name of the Reverend William H. Mayhew from the Convention roll of ministers who are engaged with us in the activities of the Lord's kingdom on earth, to the longer roll of those whom, we trust, have entered into the heavenly activities from which the New Jerusalem descends, we desire to report our appreciation of his long service and devotion, always manifest, to the church he loved. Born and reared in the orthodox faith he received a deep reverence for the Puritan religion but could not accept its doctrines as held faithfully by his fathers in several generations of devout missionaries and preachers. He therefore turned to the vocation of school teaching. Always regular in attendance at Divine worship on the Sabbath, and hungering for a true faith, he visited the churches of the various denominations. Finally, under Divine Providence, he was introduced to the doctrines of the New Church and quickly recognized in them the true Christian religion that he had been seeking so long and diligently. But he carefully studied them for a considerable time before deciding to cast in his lot with New-Church people. After he had done so, he became the agent for the Massachusetts New-Church Union in charge of its book-room, and readily fell in with the suggestion that he should prepare himself for the ministry. He joined with others in petitioning Convention for some better provision for a theological education, which led to the institution of the Theological School, now at Cambridge. Diligently and gratefully he pursued its courses of study; in a spirit of humble gratitude to the Lord he accepted a call to the active ministry from the Yarmouth Society, where he served, with the exception of two or three years spent at Urbana, in a very long pastorate. During this period he held the love and high esteem, not only of his own people, but also of a widely surrounding community who often called upon him for pastoral services, especially in the removal of loved ones to the higher life. He was a patriotic and consistent citizen, and his wise counsel was often desired and always respected in town affairs. For many years he ably filled the office of Secretary of the American Sunday-School Association; — in the Council of Ministers, in the Convention, and in the Massachusetts Association he constantly served, and filled important positions, with officers and committees; his contributions to the *Messenger* and to the *Helper* were highly valued by his brethren and often served important missionary uses; his long editorial service, more recently as Managing Editor of the *New-*

*Church Review*, brought him into happy relations with his brethren in Europe as well as in America. A deepening trust in the Divine Providence and a child-like seeking of the Divine Guidance in all things characterized his life.

In memory of the Rev. Adolph J. Bartels, prepared by Rev. Messrs. John S. Saul and L. G. Landenberger, and read by Mr. Saul.

IN MEMORIAM THE REVEREND ADOLPH J. BARTELS.

Adolph J. Bartels passed into the spiritual world in Chicago, May 20, 1910. He has a longer record as a minister of Convention than any man on the last roll of Convention, with one single exception, that of the Rev. James Reed, both having been ordained in the year 1860. Mr. Bartels was well known to two generations past, his ministry covering a wide range, from the Atlantic to the middle west, and his good knowledge of both German and English serving to make his work the more effective. As a missionary he forcefully proclaimed the Heavenly Doctrines in many fields where they had been unknown. For many years he did heroic work for the Illinois Association, and that body at its last meeting voted him a material recognition for what he had done. Many years ago he organized a colony that settled at Olivet, Kansas, then a new prairie region, the remnant of which now comprises the Osage County Society of that State, which belongs to the Illinois Association. We are glad to place on record an appreciation of the services he has rendered the Church.

86. Rev. H. C. Hay moved the following resolution which was carried by a rising vote:—

*Resolved*, That the General Convention affectionately inscribe these memorials upon its records, print them in its JOURNAL, and send copies of them to the respective families of the deceased.

87. The Vice-President was called to the chair.

88. The memorial of the Swedenborg Scientific Association having been read by the President of that body, the Rev. Frank Sewall, the following resolution was offered:—

*Resolved*, That the Convention is gratified with the reports from Sweden of the continually widening interest in Swedenborg in scientific and literary circles, and of the progress of the Royal

Swedish Academy in their magnificent edition of Swedenborg's works under the critical editorship of Mr. Alfred H. Stroh; and that the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) be paid to Mr. Stroh for the coming year by the Convention towards his support in carrying on his valuable research and editorial work.

89. After discussion by Rev. Messrs. Dole, Roeder, Spiers, and Sewall, it was *moved*, To refer the entire matter to the General Council with full power to act.

The motion to refer being put, the Chair declared it *defeated*. A division was called for and upon being taken the decision of the Chair was *sustained*.

90. The resolution was then *adopted*.

91. The following resolution was offered by Rev. G. H. Dole:—

*Resolved*, That hereafter Mr. Stroh shall make his reports to the Board of Home and Foreign Missions of the General Convention, and that Board shall report to Convention. Mr. Roeder spoke to the resolution.

92. It was moved to amend by striking out all the words following the word "reports" in the first line and substituting the words "to the General Convention." After discussion by Rev. Messrs. Dole and Landenberger the amendment was *adopted*. A division being called for, the decision of the Chair was *sustained*.

93. The original motion as amended was *carried*.

94. It was *voted*, That this decision be called to the attention of the Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts and that that Committee be requested to confer with Mr. Stroh in respect to the form of his report.

95. It was *voted*, That the Evidence Society report be printed in the JOURNAL without being read.

96. An address from the General Conference of the New Church in Australia to this Convention was read by the Secretary and an address in reply to them written by the Rev. Frank Sewall was read by its writer.

97. The following resolution, offered by Mr. McGeorge, was *adopted*: —

*Resolved*, That we receive with pleasure the Address of the Australian Conference, and hereby adopt the reply prepared by the Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., as the reply of the Convention to the Conference.

98. The report of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association was read.

99. Noon having arrived a Conference was held; subject, "A Layman's Missionary Movement — Can We Have One?" Mr. Lloyd A. Frost took the chair. A paper was read by Mr. Paul H. Seymour. A report of the New-Church Lay Missionary League organized at Cleveland was read by Mr. R. B. Carter. The subject was discussed by Rev. Messrs. Hunter, Sewall and Stockwell, and Messrs. McGeorge, Billings and R. A. Shaw.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Shaw: —

*Resolved*, That this Conference call to the attention of the Pastors of the several Societies, the need of securing for the laymen a more active and intelligent knowledge of the doctrines and principles of the Church and thus tend to the strengthening of all of our organization work.

The resolution was discussed by Messrs. McGeorge, Manning and Bischof.

An amendment was offered, To call it to the attention of the business committee of next Convention with a suggestion that they consider giving it a place upon the program. The amendment was *carried* and the resolution *adopted*.

Rev. Mr. Ritter read a communication from Mr. S. C. Jensen of Springfield, Mass., upon Missions.

100. The Convention adjourned for the noon hour.

2.30 P. M.

101. The Convention was called to order by the President at 2.30 P. M.

102. The following resolution, presented by Dr. John L. Moffat, was *adopted*:—

*Whereas*, The Convention has at this session been requested to consider the desirability of a system of transfer of membership from one society to another; and

*Whereas*, There is a prevalent ignorance that years ago transfer cards were recognized and recommended; and

*Whereas*, The Tentative Book of Rites and Sacraments provides the form of a transfer card but leaves its use optional; and

*Whereas*, Inflation of the roll by holding membership in two societies at the same time is disorderly;

*Resolved*, That this Convention declares the policy of the New Church in America to be that an applicant for membership in a society shall sever his or her formal membership in such society as he or she may have been affiliated with, by means of a card or letter as provided in the Tentative Book of Rites and Sacraments.

103. It was *voted*, That the Editor of the *Messenger* be requested to make especial mention of this resolution in such way as he shall deem wise.

104. A supplementary report from the Council of Ministers was read by its Secretary and the following resolutions were *adopted*:—

I. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers the following changes be made in the list of Ministers:—

That the name of Louis G. Hoeck be transferred from the list of Pastors and Ministers to that of General Pastors.

That the name of William F. Wunsch be transferred from the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers to that of Pastors and Ministers; and also the name of E. M. Lawrence Gould, if his ordination occurs before the printing of the *JOURNAL*; and that the names of Jacob Schroeder and M. F. Underwood, M. D., be added to that list.

That the name of S. C. Eby be removed from the list of Pastors and Ministers at his own request; and that the names of

Willard Hall Hinkley, William H. Mayhew, Gustave Reiche, Louis H. Tafel, and Adolph J. Bartels, deceased, be removed from that list.

That the names of N. H. Clafin, M. D., John H. Enns, Rodney D. Book, M. D., and Ferdinand Muhlert be added to the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers.

105. II. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the reply prepared by the Committee of General Pastors concerning the use of individual cups at the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, be sent by the President of Convention, to the Rev. S. Christian Brönniche, Pastor of the Congregation of the New Church at Copenhagen, Denmark.

106. III. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Council of Ministers have permission to add to its supplementary report any matters as may be useful as its record in print.

107. IV. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer of Convention be authorized to pay the unusual expenses incurred by the action of the Council of Ministers at its sessions of 1910.

108. The report of the American New-Church League was read by the Secretary.

109. The following resolution offered by Mr. McGeorge was *unanimously adopted by a rising vote*: —

*Resolved*, That the General Convention most heartily acknowledges and desires to express its sense of great obligation to the New York Association for its most admirable and complete preparation for the comfort and convenience of the delegates and visitors to the Ninetieth Annual Session and especially desires to commend the unselfish and tireless exertions of the young people of the Brooklyn, New York and Orange Societies. It also desires to most heartily thank Mr. and Mrs. Vanderlip for the graceful and generous hospitality shown in the invitation to and the entertainment of the delegates and visitors at their beautiful home, Beechwood on the Hudson.

110. It was *voted*, That the time and place of the next meeting of Convention be left with the President and Secretaries.

III. The President announced the appointment of the following committees:—

Messenger Advisory Board: C. H. Cutler, Rev. J. W. Stockwell.

Committee to Raise Funds for Improvements at the Theological School: J. R. Carter, R. A. Lewis, C. H. Cutler, R. A. Shaw, W. N. Hobart.

Committee to Audit Accounts of the Trustees of the Jungerich Publication Fund: Walter C. Rodman, Ezra Hyde Alden.

Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts: Rev. J. C. Ager, Rev. J. E. Werren, Rev. John Whitehead, Rev. W. L. Worcester, C. A. E. Spamer, William C. Lane, Carl H. DeSilver.

Committee to Raise Funds for Advertising New-Church Writings: George C. Warren.

Committee on the Revision of the *Magnificat*: The Rev. Messrs. Frank Sewall, Wm. L. Worcester, E. J. E. Schreck, Julian K. Smyth, Louis G. Hoeck, C. W. Harvey.

To Audit the Treasurer's Account: Warren Goddard, John A. Thompson.

Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund: Rev. Frank Sewall, Gideon Boericke, James Richard Carter, *Treasurer of the Convention*.

Committee on Transportation: Ezra Hyde Alden, Arcade Building, Philadelphia, Pa.; Paul C. Hamlin, Bullitt Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

Committee on Reports to the Press: Rev. C. W. Harvey, *Chairman*, Rev. L. G. Landenberger, *Secretary*, Rev. John R. Hunter.

Committee on Education: Rev. Lewis F. Hite, *Chairman*, Rev. L. G. Hoeck, Rev. Thomas French, Jr., Ph. D., Rev. George H. Dole, Rev. William L. Worcester, Rev. Charles W. Harvey, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, C. Riborg Mann, Ph. D., Dr. Charles S. Mack, E. H. Sears, Warren Goddard, John T. Prince, Ph. D.

Committee on the International Swedenborg Congress: Frank

Sewall, D. D., *Chairman*; Charles W. Harvey, *Secretary*; Rev. S. S. Seward, President of Convention; Hon. Job Barnard, Vice-President of Convention; Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, Chairman of the Council of Ministers: Rev. William L. Worcester, President of the Theological School; Rev. H. Clinton Hay, President of the American New-Church Evidence Society; Rev. Lewis F. Hite, Secretary of the American New-Church Evidence Society; Rev. John S. Saul, Editor of the *New-Church Messenger*; Rev. J. C. Ager, Chairman of the Committee for the Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts; Mr. Paul H. Seymour, Headmaster of the Urbana University Schools; Mr. E. P. Call, President of the New-Church Board of Publication; Mr. Henry W. Guernsey, President of the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society; Mr. George Burnham, President of the Philadelphia Tract and Publication Society; Mr. Horace P. Chandler, Chairman of the Rotch Trustees; Mr. William McGeorge, Jr., Chairman of the Iungerich Trustees;

Together with the following members suggested in the letter of the Chairman and Secretary of the London Society:—

Rev. J. F. Potts, Rev. Julian K. Smyth, Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Rev. J. E. Werren.

Committee on Business for Convention 1911: Rev. John S. Saul, *Chairman*, Dr. Jos. P. Cobb, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, Herbert G. Stockwell, Jas. E. Young.

112. The minutes of the morning and afternoon sessions were read and approved.

113. After singing the 71st Selection the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

S. S. SEWARD, *President*.

PAUL H. SEYMOUR, *Acting Secretary*.

## Memoranda.

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THE Council of Ministers convened on Tuesday afternoon, May 17, in the Brooklyn Church, and continued their sessions Wednesday and Thursday. The papers presented were "The Relation of the New Church to Modern Theism" and "New-Church Preaching."

The Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Alumni Association of the New-Church Theological School was held Wednesday evening, May 18, at the Crescent Club, Brooklyn, the subject discussed being, "The Discontent of the Theological Student."

The American New-Church Sunday-School Association met Thursday evening, May 19, in Brooklyn with an address by Rev. Wm. L. Worcester, and Friday morning with address by Rev. L. G. Hoeck.

The Conference of the American New-Church League opened Friday afternoon in the Brooklyn Church and continued its sessions in the New York Church Friday evening and Saturday morning. The subject of the addresses at the evening meeting was "The Use and Abuse of External Church Activities."

The Annual Meeting of the National Alliance of New-Church Women was held at the Park Avenue Hotel on Monday afternoon, May 23.

The Annual Meeting of the New-Church Evidence Society was held Monday morning, May 23.

The meeting of the New-Church Round Table was held Tuesday evening, May 24, the subject of discussion being, "The Discrepancy Existing between the Business and Private Conscience."

On Saturday afternoon a pleasant and refreshing excursion was taken up the Hudson River to Scarborough where Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Vanderlip tendered a reception and lawn party to the Convention, at their home, Beechwood. This event proved a most delightful interlude between the meetings of the auxiliary bodies and those of the Convention.

On Monday evening a reception and dinner took place at the Park Avenue Hotel, with about five hundred in attendance. At the close of the dinner Rev. Julian K. Smyth, presiding, called upon the Rev. Messrs. James Reed, John C. Ager, Louis G. Hoeck and Frank A. Gustafson, who spoke on, "The Distinctiveness of the New Church — How can it Best be Presented to the World?"

At 10.30 o'clock, members of the League were conveyed to the Rip Van Winkle Tea Rooms where a dance was held.

Services were held on Convention Sunday as follows:—

New York, morning, by Rev. Frank Sewall; evening, by Rev. Clyde W. Broomell. Brooklyn, morning, by Rev. John Goddard; evening, by Rev. Charles W. Harvey. Brooklyn German Society, morning, by Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz. Orange, N. J., morning, by Rev. Russell Eaton; evening, by Rev. Hiram Vrooman. Paterson, N. J., morning, by Rev. H. Clinton Hay.

Collections on Convention Sunday were as follows:—

General Uses of Convention.	Sunday-School Association.
New York, morning,      158.38	evening,      \$43.46
Brooklyn,      "	42.11      "
Orange,      "	9.28      "
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209.77	\$99.86

Amount of cash and pledges received by the Board of Home and Foreign Missions was \$511.72.

**Reports of Officers, Boards, and Committees.****No. 1. — REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.**

IN the matter of the liability to taxation of the property of the Buffalo Society, referred to a committee and to the President (Minute 107, JOURNAL 1909), the President reports that he has taken no action because the committee has come to no conclusion so far as he has heard.\*

With regard to fixing the date of the meeting of Convention at such time as to harmonize with the International Swedenborg Congress at London, the President and Secretaries consulted with the local committee as directed, and found it impossible to set the date later than May 21. This is because so many of the New York and Brooklyn people go out of town in June, it would not do to set the date during that month. In this matter we must consult the convenience of our hosts as much as our own.

At the request of Mr. Benj. A. Jackson of Providence, in the absence of the Treasurer of Convention, I have signed in behalf of the Convention, and in common with the Providence Society and a representative of the Young Men's Christian Association, an agreement for the compromise settlement of the estate of the late William Donaldson of Providence. This settlement I understand was approved of by the Treasurer of Convention before his departure, and also by Mr. Warren Goddard of Brockton.

In November last I was notified by Martin and Martin, a law firm of Joliet, Ill., that Mrs. Kate M. Richey, of Ritchey, Will County, Ill., had left a will providing that if, after paying certain legacies, the sum of \$1,000 should be left over as a remainder, it should be given to "the New Jerusalem Church Association the headquarters of which were in the city of New York." Supposing that this was a matter belonging entirely to New York, in the absence of the Treasurer of Convention, I referred it to Judge Francis

\* The committee subsequently made a report to the President.

J. Worcester of New York. Since that time, however, it has been brought to light that the money might have been meant for the Convention, and I placed the matter in the hands of Mr. Clark Scammon Reed, of Chicago, and he is working with others to secure the legacy for the Convention or some other board or organization of the church.

Trusting that my action in this respect will meet with the approval of the Convention, I will turn the matter over to the Treasurer for further action.

S. S. SEWARD, *President.*

#### No. 2.—REPORT OF THE SECRETARIES.

THE JOURNAL of the Convention of 1909 was prepared and six hundred and fifty copies printed and distributed as follows:—

To the Ministers of Convention .....	109
To the Delegates of Convention .....	77
To the Officers and Committeemen of Convention .....	54
To Associations, 116, Societies, 5, Individuals, 9 .....	130
To Libraries in America, 14, in England, 5 .....	19
To English Conference as per list furnished .....	107
To other foreign countries namely:—	
Germany and Switzerland .....	10
Sweden .....	8
Australia .....	6
Denmark .....	3
Italy .....	1
France .....	2
Austria .....	1
Brazil .....	1
Jamaica .....	1
Peru .....	1
Japan .....	1
Alexandria, N. S. Wales .....	1
	36
Reserved for next Convention .....	75
Retained for future use .....	43
	650

The usual number of copies of the Minutes of the English Conference for 1909 were mailed direct by its Secretary to the ministers and officers of Convention as per list furnished.

The notices for the *per capita* assessment were duly sent out and all officers and committeemen notified of their election or appointment.

The usual call for reports required to be presented to the Convention in print was issued by insertion in the columns of the *Messenger*, and in reply thirty-nine reports have been received, printed and mailed to ministers and Associations as provided by By-Law No. 17. The same are now laid before Convention.

After correspondence with the local representative of the New York Association, the President and Secretaries agreed to the appointment of May 21 as the date for the meeting of the Convention of 1910.

The memorial to the Rev. James B. Parmelee adopted by the Convention was duly engrossed and mailed to his family.

The Minutes of the Convention have all been recorded to date.

The Recording Secretary further reports that having been absent from the United States for the last seven months on a tour to Japan and the Philippines for health and recreation and a visit to his son, the major part of the duties of his office during that period have been performed by Mr. Seymour, whose assistance he here most gratefully acknowledges.

Respectfully submitted.

C. A. E. SPAMER, *Recording Secretary.*

## No. 3.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

ACCOUNT OF J. R. CARTER, TREASURER, FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
MAY 1, 1910.

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*General Income and Expense.*

1909.	DR.	
May 1. Balance .....	\$2,321.04	
Copy of Wm. Mantz will .....	\$1.25	
Printing Convention stationery .....	3.75	
400 copies "Marriage and its Perversions" ..	92.10	
Revising JOURNAL Directory .....	26.08	
Printing 150 copies Wm. McGeorge, Jr., appeal in Kramph Case .....	114.00	
Cable to English Conference .....	12.75	
Printing 5,000 circulars "A Declaration" ..	10.31	
Mass. New-Church Union — "A Declaration on Marriage" .....	102.18	
2,000 copies "Declaration" .....	\$175.00	
Envelopes and stamps .....	9.93	
Labor, addressing, etc. .....	2.30	
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Insurance on books — Theological School...	187.23	
Binding set CONVENTION JOURNALS, 1902—		
1909 .....	12.50	
Rent to Nov. 1, 1910 — Security Safe Deposit Co. .....	3.50	
Postage used by Rev. S. S. Seward .....	20.00	
Mailing "Calendar of Daily Readings" Minute 76, JOURNAL, 1909 .....	4.00	
Renewal Treasurer's Bond to Dec. 12, 1910 .....	22.25	
Insurance on books to Dec. 26, 1910 .....	30.00	
Insurance to Dec. 26, 1914, on National Church, Washington, D. C. ....	16.56	
Express on reports to Brockton .....	231.45	
Legal services in Ritchey bequest.....	.25	
Box for 1910 JOURNALS .....	5.00	
50 galley proofs from 1910 Review for use of Council of Ministers .....	.25	
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<i>Amounts carried forward.....</i>	<i>\$896.91</i>	<i>\$2,321.04</i>

<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	\$896.91	\$2,321.04
4 per cent. allowed Swedenborg Memorial Fund on uninvested balance .....	13.15	
Mass. New-Church Union — postage and telegram.....	1.43	
Exchange on checks .....	4.08	
Diffenbaugh Case, legal expenses .....	237.70	
Wyoming taxes, 6 mos. ....	\$48.81	
"    " 6 mos. ....	46.87	
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Curb and gutter tax, Wyoming.....	95.68	
Repairing chimney, " .....	6.99	
Accrued interest on bonds purchased:		
Houston Light and Power Bonds \$106.25		
United Electric Sec. Bonds .... 165.28		
So. California Edison " .... 184.72		
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	456.25	
Rev. S. S. Seward Travelling Expense to St. Louis — Illinois meeting .....	30.95	
Clerical work and expense, Treasurer .....	350.00	
C. A. Spamer, Secretary expenses, Sept. 1, 1908 to July 30, 1909 .....	107.37	
Rev. C. W. Harvey, expenses as Secretary, <i>Magnificat</i> Revision Committee .....	11.25	
Alfred Stroh (Minute 110 — JOURNAL, 1909)	500.00	
Rev. L. H. Tafel — Com. Trans. of Word ..	450.00	
C. A. E. Spamer — Bureau of Information ..	33.98	
Rev. J. C. Ager — Literary Bureau .....	50.00	
Paid <i>New-Church Messenger</i> :—		
Income Ehrman Fund..... \$100.00		
Income Hammett Fund ..... 16.00		
½ Income Kendall Fund ..... 57.58		
Income E. O. Ropes Endowment .....	400.00	
Interest on above to date of payment .....	632.29	
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	1,205.87	
Paid <i>New-Church Board of Publication</i> :—		
Income Richards Fund..... 30.00		
Paid <i>New-Church Theological School</i> :—		
Income Simpkins Fund ..... \$800.00		
½ Income Wilkins Fund ..... 75.37		
½ Income Barker Fund..... 47.03		
½ Income Ropes (B. & A. Stock) 3,874.58		
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	4,796.98	
<i>Amounts carried forward .....</i>	\$9,295.09	\$2,321.04

<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	<b>\$9,295.09</b>	<b>\$2,321.04</b>
<b>Paid Board of Missions:—</b>		
½ Income Wilkins Fund .....	75.37	
½ Income Hayden (Foreign) ..	40.00	
½ Income Hayden (Home) ..	40.00	
½ Income Kendall .....	57.58	
½ Income Barker .....	47.03	
Income Kimball .....	40.00	
Income Officer .....	40.00	
Income Lowe .....	80.00	
Income Emerson .....	11.20	
Income Dupont .....	325.20	
Income Wright .....	80.00	
Income Washington Mission .	207.12	
Income E. O. Ropes .....	200.00	
½ Income Ropes (B. & A. Stock)	3,874.58	
Income H. Siebert .....	9.34	
Interest on Ropes Legacy to date of payment .....	316.15	
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	5,443.57	
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¾ Ropes (B. & A. div.) credited to Board Publication Special <i>Magnifical</i> account...	\$3,874.58	
<b>Interest credited following accounts:—</b>		
Photolithographic account .....	\$90.07	
" (White Fund)	180.00	
Lehnen .....	34.60	
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	304.67	
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Interest credited following accounts:—		
Chase .....	\$24.45	
Brown .....	74.95	
Orphanage Fund .....	209.76	
National Church S. S. Building	66.46	
Subs. Buffalo Society .....	6.48	
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	382.10	
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	<b>\$21,621.05</b>	

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May 1. Interest on Sheafe note.....	\$30.52	
Interest on Mortgages:—		
Arthur C. Dyke .....	\$90.00	
G. B. Lapham .....	300.00	
Estate E. A. Whiston .....	22.50	
Katherine Mooney.....	300.00	
D. W. Battles .....	150.00	
W. J. Webber .....	150.00	
	1,012.50	
Interest on Bonds:—		
Grand Rapids Ry. Coupons...	\$500.00	
Northern Texas Fraction " ...	150.00	
Pacific Tel. & Tel. " ...	250.00	
Herkimer Co., Light and Power Coupons .....	100.00	
Omaha Elec. Light and Power Coupons .....	100.00	
Houston Light and Power Cou- pons .....	500.00	
Boston and Northern St., Ry. Coupons .....	400.00	
State of New York .....	30.00	
Indiana Ry. Co.....	500.00	
Utica Elec. Light and Power ..	100.00	
Consolidated Elec. Light of Maine .....	90.00	
United Elec. Securities .....	500.00	
Utica and Mohawk Valley ...	90.00	
Johnstown St., R. R. ....	300.00	
Edison Elec. Co., Los Angeles	500.00	
Houston and Texas Central ...	200.00	
So. Carolina & Georgia R. R...	100.00	
St. Louis, Iron Mt. & Southern	150.00	
Northern R. R. div. .....	300.00	
Boston & Albany R. R. div... ..	11,623.75	
	16,483.75	
Interest due <i>Messenger</i> on E. O. Ropes Legacy .....	632.29	
Interest due Board of Missions on E. O. Ropes Legacy .....	316.15	
Interest on deposit Shawmut Bank .....	253.50	
Accrued interest on Edison Elec. Co., of Los Angeles Bonds sold .....	18.06	
	18,746.77	
<i>Amount carried forward</i> .....	<b>\$18,746.77</b>	

<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$18,746.77
Wyoming rent .....	330.00
CONVENTION JOURNAL sold .....	.35
	_____ \$19,077.12
Income Biassell Real Estate .....	1,907.34
Profit sale 10,000 Edison Elec. Co., Los Angeles Bonds .....	600.00
Balance Convention Expense.....	21.72
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	\$21,606.18
To balance .....	14.87
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	<u>\$21,621.05</u>

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May 1. Balance .....	\$14.87
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*Convention Expense.*

	Dr.	Cr.
1909.		
June 19. Printing 300 Ballots for Convention .....	\$3.50	
23. Rev. S. S. Seward, Pres., expense to Brockton Convention .....	48.20	
26. Mass. New-Church Union:—		
250 Advance Reports .....	\$135.00	
250 Board of Mission Reports .....	37.50	
250 Treasurer's Reports .....	42.00	
200 Swedenborg Memorial ...	3.00	
Postage, time, etc., on above... .....	6.59	
	_____	224.09
July 21. Rev. J. W. Stockwell, Asst. Sec., Expense to Brockton Convention .....		59.90
Sept. 7. Mass. New-Church Union:—		
650 Convention JOURNALS ...	\$537.80	
Postage .....	35.00	
Expressage, labor, wrapping, addressing, etc..... .....	17.55	
	_____	590.35
18. C. A. E. Spamer, Sec., Expenses .....	25.55	
Balance transferred to General Expense ....	21.72	
	_____	\$973.31
1909.		
May 18. Pacific Coast — per capita tax.....		\$9.40
June 2. Iowa General — " " .....		5.00
22. Collection at Brockton Convention .....		104.76
	_____	\$973.31
<i>Amounts carried forward.....</i>	<u>\$119.16</u>	

<i>Amounts brought forward</i> .....				<b>\$973.31</b>	<b>\$119.16</b>
Nov. 20.	Illinois Association — per capita tax	"	"		140.55
22.	Minnesota	"	"		6.60
22.	Savannah	"	"		2.25
.	Connecticut	"	"		9.00
22.	Jacksonville	"	"		1.95
Dec. 1.	Michigan	"	"		25.05
8.	Maine	"	"		19.80
10.	Canada	"	"		25.80
15.	Massachusetts	"	"		251.55
18.	Pretty Prairie, Kansas Assn.	"	"		14.85
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1910.					
Jan. 3.	Denver Association	"	"		6.45
4.	Pennsylvania	"	"		99.15
Feb. 4.	San Francisco	"	"		10.95
21.	New York	"	"		90.15
Mar. 7.	San Diego, Cal.	"	"		4.50
April 1.	Riverside, Cal.	"	"		6.60
30.	San Antonio, Texas	"	"		15.00
30.	Pacific Coast	"	"		14.90
30.	Ohio	"	"		109.05
				<b>\$973.31</b>	<b>\$973.31</b>
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*Photolithographic Fund.*

	DR.	CR.
To balance .....	<b>\$2,521.97</b>	
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1909.		
May 1. Balance .....		\$2,251.90
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1910.		
May 1. Interest on May 1, 1909 balance	\$90.07	
Interest on White Fund .....	180.00	
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	270.07	
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	<b>\$2,521.97</b>	<b>\$2,521.97</b>
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1910.		
May 1. Balance .....		\$2,521.97

*Board of Publication, Special Magnificat Account.*

		DR.	CR.
1909.			
May 24.	John Church Co., "Wonderful Words of Life" .....	\$10.00	
24.	Bigelow & Main, "Saved by Grace" .....	25.00	
24.	Bigelow & Main, "O Wondrous Name" ...	20.00	
24.	Mary R. Loury, "I Need Thee Every Hour" .....	25.00	
24.	S. E. Sweeney, "Sunshine in My Soul" .....	15.00	
Dec. 31.	F. H. Gilson, composition and electro on new edition <i>Magnificat</i> .....	1,000.00	
1910.			
April 8.	Mass. New-Church Union, 2 <i>Magnificats</i> for use of Committee on Revision .....	2.00	
	To Balance .....	3,681.33	
1909.			
May 1.	Balance .....	\$903.75	
1910.			
May 1.	½ Ropes B. & A. div.....	3,874.58	
		<hr/> \$4,778.33	<hr/> \$4,778.33
1910.			
May 1.	Balance .....	\$3,681.33	

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*M. C. Bissell Real Estate Account.*

		DR.	CR.
1909.			
May 1.	Balance .....	\$31,892.45	
	Paid Illinois Association 21-80th of \$1,100, advanced on sales (see below) .....	288.75	
	Paid Swedenborg Pub. Association 19-80th of \$1,100 advanced on sales (see below)..	261.25	
	21-80th of \$12,150 credited to account of Illino- is Association (see below) .....	3,189.38	
	19-80th of \$12,150 credited to account of Swe- denborg Pub. Association (see below) ....	2,885.62	
1910.			
May 1.	Advanced payment on 12 lots to Vangarde Manufacturing Co. .....	\$500.00	
	Advanced payment on 22 lots to J. W. Martin	600.00	
	Balance of sale 12 lots to Vangarde Manu- facturing Co., (to be paid Aug. 11, 1910) .	4,250.00	
	<i>Amounts carried forward</i> .....	<hr/> \$38,517.45	<hr/> \$5,350.00

<i>Amounts brought forward</i> .....	\$38,517.45	\$5,350.00
Balance of sale of 22 lots to J. W. Martin (to be paid on delivery of abstracts and war- ranty deed) .....	7,900.00	
To Balance .....	25,267.45	
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	\$38,517.45	\$38,517.45

1910.

May 1. Balance ..... \$25,267.45

*Income and Expense Bissell Real Estate.*

	Dr.	Cr.
May 1. Taxes .....	\$2,161.30	
Repairs .....	117.08	
Insurance .....	410.25	
Commission on collections and sale .....	977.06	
Water tax, railway and sundry expenses ....	42.80	
21-80th of Income to Illinois Association ...	1,001.35	
19-80th of Income to Swedenborg Pub. Asso- ciation .....	905.99	
40-80th of Income to General Expense.....	1,907.34	
To Balance .....	127.50	
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1910.		
May 1. Rentals .....		\$7,395.67
Feb. 11. Advance interest on Vangarde Manufacturing Co., sale.....		127.50
1910. Advance interest to Aug. 11, 1910, on Van- garde Manufacturing Co., sale (note due Aug. 11, 1910) .....		127.50
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	\$7,650.67	\$7,650.67

1910.

May 1. Balance (Note due Aug. 11, 1910) ..... \$127.50

*Orphanage Fund.*

	Dr.	Cr.
May 1. Balance .....	\$5,030.00	
Interest on Ropes Legacy to date of payment 4 per cent. on May 1, 1909, bal. ....	316.15	
	209.76	
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	\$5,555.91	
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1910.		
May 1. Balance .....		\$5,555.91

*Subscriptions for Aid of the Buffalo Society.*

	Dr.	Cr.
1909.		
May 1. Balance .....	\$162.00	
1910.		
May 1. 4 per cent. allowed on bal. May 1, 1909 ...	6.48	
	\$168.48	
1910.		
May 1. Balance .....	\$168.48	

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*Cash.*

	Dr.	Cr.
1909.		
May 1. Balance on hand .....	\$11,302.53	
General expense as per account rendered ...	19,077.12	
Convention expense as per account rendered	973.31	
Permanent Pension Fund per account ren- dered .....	1,370.22	
Income Bissell Real Estate .....	\$7,523.17	
Less payments C. H. Cutler .....	3,708.49	
	3,814.68	
Sale Bissell Real Estate .....	1,100.00	
Barker Legacy, final settlement .....	247.87	
Estate Wm. Mautz, legacy for National Church. Washington, D. C.....	50.00	
Orphanage Fund, Interest E. O. Ropes Legacy .....	316.15	
Proceeds Sheafe Note .....	500.00	
Henry Siebert Legacy .....	500.00	
Scroggins Interest .....	300.00	
Roller Interest .....	720.00	
Johnston St. Ry. Bonds, expired March 1 ...	5,000.00	
10,000 Edison Elec. Co. of Los Angeles, Bonds sold .....	10,250.00	
General Expense per account rendered .....	\$14,738.66	
Convention Expense per account rendered ..	951.59	
Pension Fund drafts .....	1,246.84	
Paid to Swedenborg Publication Association and Illinois Association on account of Bis- sell Real Estate Income .....	1,907.34	
<i>Amounts carried forward</i> .....	\$55,521.88	\$18,844.43

<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	<b>\$55,521.88</b>	<b>\$18,844.43</b>
Paid to Swedenborg Publication Association and Illinois Association on account of sale		
Bissell Real Estate .....	550.00	
Invested in 5,000 Houston Light and Power Bonds.....	5,150.00	
Invested in 7,000 United Electric Sec. Bonds	7,175.00	
Invested in 10,000 So. California Edison Co. Bonds.....	9,750.00	
Paid for Board of Publication <i>Magnificat</i> ac- count :—		
John Church Co. ....	\$10.00	
Bigelow & Main Co. ....	45.00	
Mary Runyon Lowry .....	25.00	
S. E. Sweeney .....	15.00	
F. H. Gilson Co .....	1,000.00	
2 <i>Magnificats</i> for use of Revi- sion Committee.....	2.00	
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		<b>1,097.00</b>

1910.

May 1. Balance on hand .....	<b>12,955.45</b>
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	<b>\$55,521.88</b>
	<b>\$55,521.88</b>

1910.

May 1. Balance .....	<b>\$12,955.45</b>
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*Trial Balance.*

	Dr.
Cash .....	<b>\$12,955.45</b>
Notes Receivable (Vangarde Mfg. Co.).....	127.50
General Income and Expense.....	14.87
Wyoming Real Estate .....	3,750.00
Washington Church Real Estate (from which no income is derived) .....	100,000.00
M. C. Bissell Real Estate .....	25,267.45
Due from Western New-Church Union .....	25.00
2,000 Omaha Elec. Light & Power Bonds ..	2,020.00
10,000 United Electric Securities Co., Bonds	10,262.50
2,000 Consolidated Elec. Light Co. (Maine) Bonds.....	2,020.00
1 New York State Canal Bond .....	1,000.00
2,000 Utica & Mohawk Valley R. R. Bonds	2,020.00
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<i>Amount carried forward .....</i>	<b>\$159,462.77</b>

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<i>Amount brought forward</i> .....	<i>\$159,462.77</i>
10,000 Indiana Railway Co. Bonds.....	10,200.00
10,000 Grand Rapids Railway Co. Bonds ...	10,250.00
2,000 Utica Electric Light & Power Co. Bonds	2,080.00
2,000 So. Carolina & Georgia R. R. Bonds .	2,200.00
3,000 St. Louis, Iron Mt. & So. Consolidated Bonds.....	3,135.00
3,000 Northern Texas Traction Co., Bonds ..	2,760.00
5,000 Houston & Texas Central General Bonds.....	4,450.00
2,000 Herkimer County Light & Power Co. Bonds.....	2,000.00
5,000 Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co., Bonds.....	4,775.00
10,000 Boston & Northern St. Ry Bonds ...	9,100.00
10,000 Houston Lighting & Power Co. Bonds	10,300.00
10,000 Southern California Edison Co. Bonds	9,750.00
655 shares Boston & Albany R. R. Stock....	147,375.00
50 shares Northern R. R. Stock .....	5,000.00
Due from J. W. Martin (for Bissell Real Estate) .....	7,900.00
Due from Vangarde Mfg. Co. (for Bissell Real Estate) .....	4,250.00
<b>Mortgages:—</b>	
John E. Roller, Texas .....	\$12,000.00
J. A. Scroggins .....	5,000.00
G. B. Lapham, Newton .....	6,000.00
W. J. Webber, Hyde Park ....	3,000.00
D. W. Battles, Brockton .....	3,000.00
Estate E. A. Whiston, Boston..	500.00
Katherine Mooney, Boston....	6,000.00
A. C. Dyke, Bridgewater.....	1,800.00
	37,300.00
Pension Fund Income and Expense (over draft) .....	111.29
Income Bissell Real Estate (note due Aug. 11, 1910, Vangarde Mfg. Co.) .....	\$127.50
M. C. Bissell Fund .....	40,000.00
Photolithographic Fund .....	2,521.97
Kimball         “ .....	1,000.00
White         “ .....	4,500.00
Lehnen         “ .....	899.68
Washington Mission “ .....	5,178.20
Chase         “ .....	635.69
<i>Amounts carried forward</i> .....	<i>\$432,399.06</i> <i>\$54,863.04</i>

<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	<b>\$432,399.06</b>	<b>\$54,863.04</b>
Richards Fund.....	1,000.00	
Morrison " .....	1,905.00	
Wilkins " .....	3,768.75	
Jenkins " .....	2,000.00	
Emerson " .....	280.00	
Hammett " .....	400.00	
Wales " .....	5,000.00	
Du Pont " .....	5,630.00	
Officer " .....	1,000.00	
Ford " .....	5,000.00	
Kendall " .....	2,879.00	
Simpkins " .....	20,000.00	
Hayden " .....	3,000.00	
Ehrman " .....	2,500.00	
Gardner " .....	84.56	
Lowe " .....	2,000.00	
Wentz " .....	1,000.00	
Siebert " .....	500.00	
Unexpended income Ford Fund .....	729.07	
Mary P. Ropes Fund .....	73,575.00	
Barker " .....	2,599.57	
Brown " .....	1,948.89	
Shepard " .....	4,250.00	
Ryder " .....	1,000.00	
Webster " .....	10,000.00	
Wright " .....	2,000.00	
Orphanage " .....	5,555.91	
National Church S. S. Building Fund .....	1,777.99	
Board of Publication, Special <i>Magnificat</i> account .....	3,681.33	
Eliza O. Ropes Fund .....	73,800.00	
Eliza O. Ropes Board of Missions Fund .....	5,000.00	
Eliza O. Ropes Endowment Fund for New- <i>Church Messenger</i> .....	10,000.00	
Washington Church Fund .....	100,000.00	
Illinois Association .....	3,189.38	
Swedenborg Publication Association .....	2,885.62	
Pension Fund .....	17,427.47	
Buffalo Society Subscriptions.....	168.48	
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	<b>\$432,399.06</b>	<b>\$432,399.06</b>

Examined, found correct and securities on hand as stated above.

JOHN A. THOMPSON, *Auditor.*

Owing to accrued interest on some of the Ropes Legacies before they were paid to us, to the income of certain funds as per vote of the Convention being applied directly to Convention expenses, and to a profit on certain bonds which were exchanged, we fortunately have been able to make good our deficit as shown May 1, 1909 of \$2,321.04, the deficit of May 1, 1910 being the nominal one of \$14.87. We should be careful in the future to keep our expenditures within our income and not encroach upon our principal.

The Treasurer as instructed, has withheld from the Board of Publication, interest due them on the Ropes Legacy, to provide for the payment of the new *Magnificat*. The amount on hand as shown in report is \$3,681.33. As over a thousand dollars has been already paid out, the above balance should be more than sufficient, as it was understood when the original authorization was given by Convention, that not more than \$3,000 would be called for.

The Bissell Property makes a good showing as can be seen by the report of our Agent, Mr. C. H. Cutler. He has sold the past year quite an amount of unproductive land and increased the rentals of the improved estates. All land sold has been credited to the Real Estate Account as originally appraised, leaving a present credit balance of about \$25,000. As a matter of fact, the property is worth much more, having steadily increased in value.

The Donaldson Legacy has been adjusted and we shall receive in a month about \$2,000, income of which, according to terms of Will, is to be used for Missionary purposes.

The Wyoming Property has been rented all the year, but in the judgment of the Treasurer is not a good permanent investment, and he would recommend that he be authorized to sell and give title to purchaser, when opportunity offers, at such price as he and Mr. William N. Hobart, who has charge of the property, think advisable.

Since April 1, 1910 the date of the published report of the Pension Fund, \$235.75 has been received from eighteen different subscribers, which will show in detail in next report; one was a subscription of \$50 from one of our ministers.

JAMES RICHARD CARTER, *Treasurer.*

## NO. 4. — REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

THE General Council, at meetings held in Brooklyn and New York City, May 19, 20, and 21, voted to recommend to Convention the following: —

In the matter of the permanent Bureau of Information suggested by Mr. John R. Swanton, That the uses described (see pps. 184-186, *Journal*, 1909) are approved and that the suggestion be referred to the Bureau of Information already established with the recommendation that that Bureau extend its activities to include the uses contemplated, calling to their aid the Evidence Society, the Theological School and the Book Rooms of the Church.

In the matter of Mr. Barron's proposal to give the *de luxe* edition of Swedenborg's works to the King of England and other notables provided the English Conference would give Pott's Concordance, That in the opinion of the Council it is inadvisable to accompany the action proposed with the condition suggested by Mr. Barron and that the Committee be requested to carry out the original resolution.

In the matter of consolidation of Pension Fund, Orphan Fund and Home for Old People, That such consolidation would seem to be illegal and was regarded by the Council as undesirable.

Similarly, in the matter of the establishment of an Old Peoples' Home, That the Council deemed it, at present inexpedient.

In the matter of the Delaware County Society, of late years inactive, That the Rev. Wm. L. Worcester be appointed as representative of Convention in any Conference desired by the present Trustee of the property.

In the matter of the Building Fund of the Convention, That the report and recommendation of the Trustees of the Building Fund be adopted as follows: —

*Whereas*, when the Board of Trustees of the Building Fund was constituted (See JOURNAL of 1875, Minute No. 107) it was *inter alia* provided that interest on such mortgage loans as might be made by the Trustees to societies, to aid in the erection of New-Church places of worship in America, should be paid at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, and that the principal should be repaid in annual instalments of not less than ten per cent:

*And Whereas*, the rate of interest thirty-five years ago was higher than it is now, and it was the manifest intention to aid societies desiring to build by charging about two-thirds of the market rate of interest:

*And Whereas*, the provision requiring the repayment of not less than ten per cent annually, has been shown to be practically prohibitive, many societies who would like to borrow being unable for a year or two to comply with this requirement, therefore

*Resolved*, That the above two provisions be abrogated, and that the Trustees of the Building Fund be, and they are hereby authorized to fix such other rate of interest, and such other time and mode of repayment of the principal, as they in their discretion may from time to time deem best, and as the circumstances of each case may require, including the right to waive the payment of interest and of annual instalments of principal for such length of time as the best interests of the aided society and its actual needs and circumstances may require, to the end and intent that it may not be necessary in the future to invoke action by the General Council or the Convention in emergencies of this character.

That the Editor of the *Messenger* be authorised to open a bank account for the *Messenger* distinct from his own personal account, to furnish the bank with the necessary requirements and that the officers of Convention be requested to sign the necessary papers.

That the Treasurer be authorized to incur any reasonable expense in the Deffenbaugh matter.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay all demands of the President or Trustees of the Pension Fund from the Principal if there is no unexpended income of the Fund in his hands.

In the matter of the charges against the Rev. Mr. Schreck the Council reports to Convention as follows:—

*Whereas*, Col. Rudolph Williams, in a letter addressed to the President of the Convention on February 16, 1910, called the General Council's attention to certain alleged actions and expressions of the Rev. Eugene J. E. Schreck, which he charged to be contrary to the doctrine stated in the Declaration adopted by the General Convention at its meeting in Brockton, Mass., in 1909, and asked that he be dropped from the list of ministers of the General Convention because of his lack of fealty to its doctrines:—

The General Council reports that having heard the charges presented by Col. Rudolph Williams against Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, and the oral statements of each of these gentlemen, and having conferred with the Council of Ministers, this General Council has carefully considered the issue involved, and finds that Mr. Schreck is now in accord with the doctrine expressed in the Declaration adopted by the General Convention at Brockton in 1909, as evidenced by his written statement recorded herewith and it therefore dismisses the case from further consideration.

The following documents were read and considered in connection with the matter: —

RUDOLPH WILLIAMS,  
2821 PINE GROVE AVENUE,  
CHICAGO, ILL.

FEBRUARY 16, 1910.

REV. S. S. SEWARD,  
*President of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem  
in the United States of America:* —

DEAR SIR: I desire to call to your attention for presentation to the General Council of the General Convention as above, for action by said General Council according to authority vested in it, by, and relative to said General Convention, that Rev. Eugene J. E. Schreck who is borne on the list of ministers of said General Convention, and therefore a credited servant of the same, did in the city of Chicago, on the occasion of the bi-monthly meeting of the ministers of the "Illinois Association of the New Jerusalem," in May, 1909, advocate and defend the "Doctrine of Concubinage" as it is understood by said General Council and General Convention; and, that he tried to defeat the adoption of, "A Declaration" against said doctrine by the said General Convention in its annual meeting for 1909, in the city of Brockton, Mass., and, that he tried to defeat the approval of the said, "A Declaration" as above, by the annual meeting of the Illinois Association as above for 1909, in the city of St. Louis., Mo.

I desire further to call to your attention for presentation as above, that in his adjudication of the Kramph case Judge Smith made clear that the doctrine of concubinage as above is considered injurious, and forbidden by the statutes and public policy, and that the law so propounded by Judge Smith was not over-ruled.

The instances above of advocating and defending the doctrine of concubinage by Mr. Schreck, are within the statutes of limitation, and the General Convention being an incorporated body with interstate interests, I understand that both Mr. Schreck and it are responsible under federal law and public policy, as well as under law and public policy of the States of Illinois, Massachusetts, and Missouri.

Further: I desire to call to your attention, in your official capacity, for presentation as above, the life of disloyalty to the General Convention in its externality, generally, that Mr. Schreck has lived, to which, being employed and trusted by it, he certainly owed *honorable* life. And under the teaching of our blessed Church, how can the lack of spiritual fealty, during the twenty years of Mr. Schreck's connection with the Convention ministry, as shown by the history of his ministerial life, be made to appear correct? See the pamphlet, "Mr. Schreck and the Academy."

I submit to you that if the charge against a minister is immorality, if it is violation of the Word, if it is violation of civil law, if it is opposition outside the meetings of Convention to uses, acts, and methods of Convention, the secular officers and secular authority, fail in duty if they do not act against it, and the Convention being an incorporated body, they can be compelled to act. Here must be borne in mind that immorality, violation of the Word, and violation of civil law, are never admissible.

I do not accept the maudlin view that Convention has no right to interfere in the interpretation of doctrine, but emphatically say that when the interpretation becomes violation of the Word, or violation of civil law, the authorities for secular order, and those for doctrinal interpretation, all fail, if they do not act, because our Church, as Swedenborg says, is based on the letter of the Word, and that it must be loyal to civil law, therefore in such cases the Council of Ministers being an integral authority within, and of the Convention, is amenable to civil law, equally with the secular authority, and I am advised the responsibility extends to the individual officer and minister.

A citizen of the United States, and State of Illinois, a lover of order, and a member of the New Church more than three score years, I believe the present nightmare of physical and spiritual disorder, will be greatly lessened by dropping Eugene J. E. Schreck from the ministry.

I am, with great respect,

RUDOLPH WILLIAMS.

STATEMENT OF THE REV. E. J. E. SCHRECK TO THE COUNCIL OF  
MINISTERS.

*My Brethren in the Ministry of the General Convention:—*

At the last annual meeting of the Council of Ministers, in one of our executive sessions, I expressed my disapprobation of the Declaration concerning fornication and concubinage, prepared by Bishop Pendleton and confirmed by the Joint Council of the Clergy and of the Executive Committee of the General Church, generally called "the Academy."

At the St. Louis meeting of the Illinois Association, when discussing Convention's Declaration against the Academy, I had occasion publicly to reaffirm this disapprobation of the Academy's Declaration and I have since then incorporated my St. Louis remarks in a letter addressed to and distributed among the ministers.

I have been asked for the reason of my disapproval.

The Academy's Declaration was submitted in evidence in a Court which was, presumably, unacquainted with our Doctrines, and it was, in my opinion, ill-advised, misleading, and, for this reason, mischievous, especially in grouping an intrinsically good with an intrinsically evil, relation, and, moreover, in speaking of both as "recognized" by the Doctrines of the New Jerusalem.

My study of the Doctrines convinces me that all evils are permitted under laws of Divine Providence; but that evils, whether grievous or mild, are never of "law" in the sense of being desired, commanded or provided by the Lord. The teaching concerning the permission of evils under these laws of the Divine Providence enables men to come into a clear understanding as to what evils are to be absolutely condemned because they are in direct opposition to heavenly order and life, and what are their degrees, kinds and diversities; and what evils are not in such opposition, and therefore are not under the same kinds of absolute condemnation, but, though preventing, for the time being, the development of what is heavenly and spiritual, do not destroy it. Nevertheless the teaching of the Word emphatically applies to them also, "Wash you, make you clean, put away the evil of your doing from before mine eyes. Cease to do evil; learn to do well." (ISA. i, 16.)

Men whose life's use it is to seek and to save those that err or are lost, are, above all, the men who need such revelation, in order that they may grow in knowledge and understanding of human nature, and in the wisdom of the Lord's permissive providences. And they will always find that this revelation, contained in the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg,— to use the language of the Brockton Declaration — “condemns as evil all sexual relations outside of marriage, as well as all conduct, thought or intention that does not accord therewith, in letter and in spirit. The only law for purity for all men is that declared by our Lord Jesus Christ in MATT. v, 28, “But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.” I heartily subscribe to this statement of the Brockton Declaration.

To the above written statement, Mr. Schreck, deeply moved by the action of the Council, added the following words: —

“I sincerely thank you, my Brethren, for your vote of confidence, and the Investigating Committee for their patience and justice. For anything that I have said or written in the past, which has been unwarranted by the Doctrines as I understand them now, and which has caused disturbance in the Church, I feel a profound regret. I am glad to say that I no longer hold the views which led to the former mistakes. I feel more closely drawn to my brethren in the Convention than ever before, and I trust that henceforth we shall see eye to eye and stand heart to heart in the upbuilding of our beloved Church.”

This is a copy of Rev. E. J. E. Schreck's Statement as on file in the Council of Ministers.

Attest: H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

**LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TO THE  
SECRETARY OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.**

BROOKLYN, May 20, 1910.

*To the Secretary of the General Council  
of the General Convention.—*

The Council of Ministers, having received complaints from Mr. Rudolph Williams charging the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck with holding

doctrines contrary to the "Declaration" adopted a year ago by the Convention, and having complied with the demands of Mr. Schreck for an investigation of those charges by appointing a Committee of three for the purpose, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. James Reed, Julian K. Smyth, and William L. Worcester; and having received a report from this Committee, as follows: —

"The Committee to whom was referred the charges against the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck as made by Mr. Rudolph Williams, has tried to make a thorough investigation of the same, has conferred with Mr. Schreck and Mr. Williams, as also with others who were referred to as witnesses to the facts he alleged. The Committee, realizing that similar charges have been made to the General Council, and believing that it would be greatly to the advantage of the General Convention if but one report on this subject should be made, hereby ask leave of this Council to request a conference with the General Council, or with a Committee to be appointed by them, in the hope that a common conclusion may be reached and made the basis of our report."

This request of the Committee has been adopted by the Council of Ministers, and in its behalf I venture to suggest the earliest possible attention to the matter.

Yours faithfully,

H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

**LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TO  
THE SECRETARY OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.**

**MR. PAUL H. SEYMOUR,**

*Secretary of the General Council:*

The Council of Ministers has received the enclosed report from its Committee on the "Schreck Case," and has adopted it without a dissenting voice,

It was then *voted*, That a copy of the report, and of a Statement afterwards presented by Mr. Schreck, together with the Secretary's record of the item, be sent to the General Council.

It was also *voted*, That the same matter, in print, be sent to each minister on the Convention's List of Ministers, for information.

Faithfully yours,

H. CLINTON HAY.

NEW YORK, May 21, 1910.

**THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THREE, OF THE COUNCIL OF  
MINISTERS, ON THE "SCHRECK CHARGES."**

The Committee appointed to consider the charges preferred by Mr. Rudolph Williams against the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, respectfully report that they have given thorough consideration to the matter. They have carefully examined the documents in which the accusations were contained; they have conferred with Mr. Schreck and Mr. Williams, and have listened to the witnesses named by Mr. Williams in support of the charges brought by him. The conclusion unanimously reached by the Committee is that the charges and imputations are not substantiated.

The Committee have also questioned Mr. Schreck with regard to the views held by him on the subject to which the charges relate, and he has given satisfactory answers. They have also, by invitation of the General Council, held a meeting with that body. The substance of the above report was given to the General Council, and Mr. Schreck also appeared before them. We have reason to believe that he is ready to make a statement before this Council. It is not for us to express an opinion as to the probable action of the General Council. But we may properly state that Mr. Schreck answered their inquiries in a manner which promises to lead to a satisfactory conclusion of the matter.

(Signed) JAMES REED.  
JULIAN K. SMYTH.  
WM. L. WORCESTER.

Respectfully submitted.

S. S. SEWARD, *Chairman.*

PAUL H. SEYMOUR, *Acting Secretary.*

**NO. 5.—REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.**

THE Council of Ministers met in the House of Worship of the Brooklyn Society, corner of Monroe Place and Clark Street, on Tuesday afternoon, May 17, 1910, at three o'clock, and continued its sessions there through Wednesday and Thursday, with an added session Friday morning; and at New York, held two sessions, thus far, Saturday and Monday mornings. Fifty ministers, two candidates and three students were in attendance.

## THE ANNUAL SERMON.

The Annual Sermon was delivered by the Rev. Paul Sperry of Brockton, Mass., who chose for his text the words, "By this will all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another" (JOHN xiii, 35). This was presented as the Lord's test of discipleship. When factions, growing out of differences of opinion, divide the Church, for the sake of its usefulness it should seek a fresh influx of brotherly love from the Lord; for discipleship is not in an intellectual assent, but in a life of charity. No compromise of honest convictions is required, but emphasis upon this divine test of discipleship.

A full religious service was conducted by the Rev. Arthur Mercer.

The Rev. George H. Dole was elected to preach the sermon next year, with the Rev. Hiram Vrooman as alternate.

## MINISTERS' MEETINGS.

Reports were received from the Secretaries of Ministers' Meetings in Illinois, Maryland, and Massachusetts.

## THE PROGRAM.

In accordance with the provision of the Committee on Program the following papers were presented, and were much enjoyed by the members of the Council and their friends:—

"New-Church Preaching." By the Rev. John Goddard and the Rev. Wm. L. Worcester.

"The Relation of the New Church to Modern Theism." By the Rev. James Reed and the Rev. Baman N. Stone.

The papers on each subject were followed by profitable discussion, but the continually increasing volume of business required of the Council as the Committee on Ecclesiastical Affairs led it to omit the appointment of a Committee on Program for next year, and to refer the whole matter to the Chairman and the Secretaries, with full powers.

## OFFICERS.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: — *Chairman*, the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck; *Secretary*, the Rev. H. Clinton Hay; *Assistant Secretary*, the Rev. E. M. Lawrence Gould.

**INVESTITURE OF REV. LOUIS G. HOECK.**

An application from the Ohio Association for the Convention's sanction of the investiture of the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck with the office and powers of a General Pastor was received and referred to the Committee of General Pastors, who made the following report, which was adopted: —

*Resolved*, That the Council recommends to the Convention that the application of the Ohio Association for the investiture of the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck with the office of General Pastor be granted, to take place at a time and place convenient to Mr. Hoeck.

**ORDINATION OF DR. M. F. UNDERWOOD.**

An application from the San Diego Society, sanctioned by the California Association, for the ordination of Dr. M. F. Underwood was also referred to the Committee of General Pastors, and their report was adopted as follows: —

*Resolved*, That the Council recommends to the Convention that the application of the San Diego Society and the California Association for the ordination of Dr. M. F. Underwood be granted, the time for the ordination to be fixed by the President, the Rev. S. S. Seward and Dr. Underwood.

**RESIGNATION OF REV. S. C. EBY.**

The resignation of the Rev. S. C. Eby, on the ground that he is now engaged in other things, was received with regret, and referred to the Committee of General Pastors, whose report was adopted as follows: —

*Resolved*, That the Council recommends to the Convention that the name of the Rev. S. C. Eby be dropped from the roll of ministers at his own request.

**THE TRANSLATION OF THE WORD**

The Translation of the Word, which is referred by Convention to the Council, and by the Council to a committee, has suffered serious interruption by the removal to the other world of the Rev. Louis H. Tafel.

It was voted that the Rev. Messrs. George H. Dole, J. R. Stephenson, W. H. Schliffer, and Warren Goddard, Jr., be added to this Committee.

It was also voted to recommend to Convention the renewal of the usual appropriation (\$450) for the uses of the Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSLATION OF THE WORD.

The Committee recommends that the names of the Rev. Messrs Geo. H. Dole, J. R. Stephenson, H. W. Schliffer and Warren Goddard, Jr., be added to its number, and that the General Convention be asked to make the usual appropriation for the use of the Committee.

Submitted in behalf of the Committee.

JOHN WHITEHEAD, *Chairman.*  
H. S. CONANT, *Secretary.*

*Report of the Subcommittee on the Translation of the Word.*

Because of the removal to the other life of the Rev. Louis H. Tafel the Subcommittee has held but two meetings during the year. So keen is the loss felt in having our leading spirit taken from our midst that the work is practically at a standstill. Some, but only a little progress has been made with the Book of Isaiah.

During the year the Committee's work in the historical books of the Word was bound into permanent form, and copies of the same were sent to Book Rooms and learned bodies of the Church in this country and in England. The book contains 300 pages of type-written matter.

Also during the year was distributed the Summary of the Greek-Latin Vocabulary to the same list which received the Hebrew-Latin Vocabulary.

On the 14th of December, last, the present Secretary-Treasurer was appointed. Steps were taken to gather up the Subcommittee's effects, and as a result there now rests in the Secretary's hands the safe containing the manuscript of the Hebrew and Greek Vocabularies in nineteen volumes, from which the two Summaries were made, the typewriter, mimeograph, card index of Swedenborg's quotations from the Old Testament (ditto from the New Testament is in the hands of the Chairman), and numerous papers bearing upon the work of translating. Also two copies of the Greek Summary and one

of the Hebrew. Most important among the papers seems to be two essays showing Mr. Tafel's attitude towards translating the Word, and a careful and extended study, by Mr. Tafel, of Swedenborg's rendering of the Minor Prophets.

In view of the changed conditions now existing it will be necessary for the General Committee to reorganize the Subcommittee and to formulate plans for the future. In this connection it might be said that Rev. Wm. H. Alden has withdrawn from coöperation with the Subcommittee.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN WHITEHEAD, *Chairman.*  
H. S. CONANT, *Secretary.*

#### FINANCIAL REPORT.

BALTIMORE, May 9, 1910.

REV. H. S. CONANT, *Secretary-Treasurer of Committee on Translation  
of the Word.*

To Mr. Jas. R. Carter, *Treasurer of General Convention:* —

1909.	DR.	
June 4. To Balance from year 1908-1909 .....	\$36.96	
To cash from Treasurer in 1909-1910 .....	450.00	
 Total .....	 \$486.96	
	Cr.	
Sept. 1. For Mimeographing I and II Kings .....	\$64.00	
Oct. 1. For envelopes and postage on same .....	30.00	
Estate of Rev. L. H. Tafel .....	300.00	
Two Meetings Sub-committee on Translation	9.40	
 1910.		
Jan. 22. For Binding 12 Copies "Historical Books of Word": —		
9 in Buchram at 1.75 .....	15.75	
3 in $\frac{1}{2}$ Morocco at 3.85 .....	11.55	
Jan. 28. Travelling Expenses Philadelphia to Balti- more .....	5.00	
Cartage, Freight, and Packing .....	12.42	
Postage .....	2.88	
 Total .....	 \$486.96	\$451.00
Balance on hand .....	\$35.96	

H. S. CONANT, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

## LITURGY REVISION.

The following report from the Committee on Liturgy Revision was received and accepted:—

The work of the Committee has been confined to that of the Sub-committee on the musical setting of the Psalter. The Committee reports progress and the hope that at the Convention next year it will be prepared to submit the entire Book of Psalms, with other passages from the Word, set to appropriate chants — thus furnishing a further important contribution to our Book of Worship.

(Signed) FRANK SEWALL, *Chairman.*

## DAILY READING FROM THE WORD AND WRITINGS.

The Committee on Daily Readings from the Word and the Writings reported the preparation of lessons from the Word, selections from the Psalms, and readings from the "Arcana Coelestia." These were embodied in a *Calendar*, the printing and distribution of which was left to the American New-Church League.

The expenses of the work were as follows:—

Cost of printing 8,000 charts .....	\$99.25
Mailing 4,000 charts.....	20.32
	—
	\$119.57
The American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society contributed .....	25.00
	—
Leaving a net expenditure of .....	\$94.57

The following recommendations of this Committee were adopted:—

*First*, That the Council recommend to Convention the payment to the American New-Church League of \$35 as its proportion of the expense of printing and mailing the *Calendar*; with the added suggestion that a more economical plan of publishing the *Calendar* be adopted.

*Second*, That the Rev. Percy Billings of Toronto, Can., be appointed to fill the vacancy in this Committee caused by the death of the Rev. Wm. H. Mayhew.

## PRAYERS AND RITES.

In accordance with the action of the Council last year (see JOURNAL of Convention, 1909, p. 58), the Committee reported its revision of the Book of Prayers and Rites in print. It also presented a paper, prepared by the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck for the Committee, and endorsed by it, on "The Translation of the Lord's Prayer"; and also a paper by the late Rev. Philip B. Cabell on the same subject, which the writer had presented to the Council in 1894. Both papers recommended a return to the English order and idioms in translation.

The Council then *voted*, That the changes in the Lord's Prayer, proposed by the Committee on Prayers and Rites, so as to return to the form given in MATT. vi, 9-13, of the Authorized Version, be adopted in the revision of the Book of Prayers and Rites placed in the hands of the members of the Council for consideration during the year.

It was also *voted*, That the Committee be authorized to report such other recommendations next year as it sees fit.

It was further *voted*, That the Committee be instructed to see that every minister of the Convention and of the English Conference be supplied with a copy of this report in print (the Tentative Book of Prayers and Rites).

## MEMORIALS.

Committees were appointed to prepare memorials of deceased members, to present to Convention, as follows:—

Of WILLARD HALL HINKLEY,— by the Rev. Messrs. Reed and John Goddard.

Of LOUIS HERMANN TAFEL,—by the Rev. Messrs. Whitehead and Ager.

Of GUSTAVE REICHE,— by the Rev. Messrs. Landenberger and Saul.

Of WILLIAM H. MAYHEW,— by the Rev. Messrs. Hay and Wm. L. Worcester.

Of ADOLPH J. BARTELS,— by the Rev. Messrs. Saul and Landenberger.

## REQUEST OF W. M. MARTIN.

An application having been received from W. M. Martin, of Solon, Iowa, requesting that his ordination by the late Rev. James B. Parmelee be recognized by the Convention, it was referred to the Committee of General Pastors, who made the following report, which was adopted: —

*Resolved*, That the Council recommends to the Convention that it request its President, the Rev. S. S. Seward, to reply to Mr. Martin, expressing the pleasure of the Convention in recognizing Mr. Martin's desire to enter the ministry of the Convention, and encouraging him to do so in the manner provided for by the rules of the Convention.

## TRANSFERS OF MEMBERS.

A communication from the Brooklyn Society requesting rules for the transfer of members from one society to another, was referred to the Committee on Prayers and Rites, to whom a similar request from the Ohio Association was referred last year.

Mr. Seward called attention to the fact, that Convention had adopted such rules fifteen years ago.

## LETTER FROM REV. J. M. WASHBURN.

A letter from the Rev. J. M. Washburn was read to the Council by the Rev. S. S. Seward, in which he asked the Convention's help in answering questions from correspondents concerning the Convention's position on certain topics. It was referred to the Chairman, to reply.

## HOSPITALITY.

The following, offered by the Rev. S. S. Seward, was adopted unanimously, by a rising vote: —

The Council of Ministers from a long-time experience of its liberality and success, desires to place on record its warm appreciation of the generous entertainment provided for the Council at this session of 1910, to thank the Brooklyn Society, and especially the ladies, for their hospitality, and to express its hope and confidence in the future growth and prosperity of the Brooklyn Society.

Louis G. HOECK, *Chairman.*

H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

*Supplementary Report of the Council of Ministers.*

## REVISION OF THE ROLL.

The Council recommends to Convention the following changes in its list of ministers: —

That the name of Louis G. Hoeck be transferred from the list of Pastors and Ministers to that of General Pastors.

That the name of William F. Wunsch be transferred from the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers to that of Pastors and Ministers; and the name of E. M. Lawrence Gould, if his ordination occurs before the printing of the JOURNAL; and that the names of Jacob Schroeder and M. F. Underwood, M. D., be added to that list.

That the name of S. C. Eby be removed from the list of Pastors and Ministers at his own request; and that the names of Willard Hall Hinkley, William H. Mayhew, Gustave Reiche, Louis H. Tafel, and Adolph J. Bartels, deceased, be removed from that list.

That the names of N. H. Clafin, M. D., John H. Enns, Rodney D. Book, M. D., and Ferdinand Muhlert be added to the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers.

## REV. O. L. BARLER.

Resolutions were introduced in reference to a pamphlet written and published by the Rev. O. L. Barler, entitled "A Declaration." They were referred to a Committee of three, the Rev. Messrs. James Reed, Julian K. Smyth, and Wm. L. Worcester, who reported the recommendation that a fraternal letter be sent to Mr. Barler, instead of adopting the resolutions. The letter, which they had prepared, and which was adopted, follows: —

## REV. O. L. BARLER:

DEAR BROTHER: The Council of Ministers of the General Convention, assembled at their annual meeting, have had under consideration the serious offence which, in their judgment, you have committed against the peace and harmony of the Church by the publication and circulation of your recent pamphlet entitled, "A Declaration. By O. L. Barler."

In that document you placed yourself in opposition, not only to your ministerial brethren, but to the Convention itself, on a great moral question, with regard to which the Convention put itself on record by an almost unanimous vote, in unequivocal terms, at its meeting held in 1909.

We do not question the sincerity of your purpose, but we feel it to be our duty to express to you, in all brotherly kindness, our utter disapproval of the

course which you have pursued. We regard it as disloyalty to the Convention, and entirely inconsistent with your position as a minister of that body.

Awaiting your reply, I am, in behalf of the Council,

Fraternally yours,

(To be signed) H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

**COMMUNICATION OF REV. S. CHRISTIAN BRÖNNICHE CONCERNING THE USE OF INDIVIDUAL CUPS.**

The following communication from the Rev. S. Christian Brönniche to the Convention, was referred by its Secretary to the Council of Ministers, and was referred first to a special committee, and finally to the Committee of General Pastors who prepared a reply, which the Council recommends for adoption by the Convention:—

**ADDRESS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.**

**DEAR BRETHREN:** As has been mentioned in my last two reports to the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, "a divergence of opinion" has long been prevailing within our small congregation as to whether, from a New-Church point of view, the using of special cups in the Holy Supper may meet with any real objection or not.

On the one hand some have urged that such use is "irreconcilable with a Communion in a true Christian spirit," and that therefore the Church "cannot give its sanction" to it. On the other hand, it is held — as I have also declared — that nothing is contained in the doctrines of our Church that may prevent the use of special cups, for which reason it must be left to each individual, if not to the congregation itself by vote, to decide which of the two forms they want to adopt. To make room for both forms, I administer the Sacrament *in both ways*, using special cups and the common cup alternately.

This divergence has resulted in much discussion, verbally as well as in print, without leading to any conclusion that may be accepted by all. It has also had the deplorable effect upon the members maintaining the sole use of the common cup as "the only right one," that they have regarded themselves justified in staying away from the service and the other meetings of the congregation as long as both forms are used.

Now, as circumstances seem to make it desirable, as a minister ordained by authority of the Convention, and as a member of this body, I hereby appeal to your judgment, asking you to pronounce yourself directly upon the matter *in its doctrinal aspects*, by referring it to your Council of Ministers, and I shall only be too glad to conform to your declaration.

Looking forward to your most respected reply, I remain  
Yours fraternally,

S. CHR. BRÖNNICHE, *Pastor of*

*The Congregation of the New Church in Copenhagen, Denmark.*

April 15, 1910.

FORHAABNINGSHOLMS ALLE 7, 4 SAL,  
HAVEHUSEL, COPENHAGEN, DENMARK.

*To the Rev. S. C. Brönniche,*

DEAR BROTHER: Your letter is received telling of the difficulty which has arisen in the Copenhagen Society in relation to the use, in the Communion, of one common cup or of individual cups, and asking instruction and advice.

The doctrine most directly bearing upon the subject is that which shows that in Christian worship the spirit is of the first importance, and the form of subordinate importance; in accordance with the Lord's words to the woman of Samaria: "The hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. . . . The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." (JOHN iv, 21-24.)

This doctrine is applied to worship in general in "Arcana Coelestia," 1175, 10436, and in many other places; and is applied to the Holy Supper in particular, in "Arcana Coelestia," 10522, "Heaven and Hell," 222, "New Jerusalem and Its Heavenly Doctrine," 213, and in other places. It is not of first importance that the Holy Supper shall be observed in this manner or in that, but that it shall be kept in reverent acknowledgment of the Lord Jesus Christ; the mind being freed, by repentance, from all unheavenly thoughts and feelings, and open to receive the Lord's gifts of truth and love.

The external form of observance is also deserving of careful consideration in its place. As you know, one common cup was formerly in almost universal use, and it has in its favor, that it comes nearer to the example of the Lord when He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave to the disciples, saying, Drink ye all of it (MATT. xxvi, 27: MARK xiv, 23: LUKE xxii, 20). The practice among the early Christians, of drinking from the same cup and handing it to one another, is mentioned in "True Christian Religion," 433, as representing conjunction. It should be noticed, however, that this passage occurs not in a chapter upon the Holy Supper, but in a chapter upon Charity, and can be regarded as applying to the Holy Supper only as a state of charity is related to communion with the Lord. For the reasons mentioned, the use of a common cup is felt by the larger number of our New-Church societies to be the form which most fittingly accompanies and expresses the sacred spirit of the Sacrament. In several of our societies individual cups are used, in the belief that they are more wholesome, and that in this manner of observance thoughts disturbing to some persons are removed, leaving the mind more free to dwell upon the sacred significance of the service. This variety of usage in our societies is freely allowed, as consistent with our belief that the spirit in which we come to the Lord's table is of first consequence, and that it is not of vital importance whether a common cup is used or many cups.

In relation to your present difficulty, we consider that the first duty of the society is to recognize the relative importance of spirit and form in the observance of the Holy Supper, and to agree that no question as to the manner of administering the Sacrament shall be allowed to disturb its spirit. When no undue

importance is attached to the form of observance, we trust that it will be easy for the society to set personal preferences aside and to unite in this holiest act of worship.

S. S. SEWARD, *President.*

#### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

The Subcommittee appointed by the Council reported in print, but unusual pressure of business prevented sufficient consideration of it, therefore the following was adopted: —

*Resolved*, That the report of the Subcommittee on the Constitution and By-Laws of Convention be referred back to the Subcommittee, together with the whole subject of revision and simplification; and that the members of the Council be requested to send their suggestions to this Subcommittee.

The Subcommittee is the Rev. Messrs. Ager, Reed, and Whitehead.

#### THE GROWTH OF THE ORGANIZED NEW CHURCH.

The following was referred to a Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Whitehead, Stephenson, and Dresser, to report next year: —

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Three be appointed by the Chair to take into consideration, for study and report, the non-growth of the organized New Church, its causes and remedies.

#### CHARGES BROUGHT TO THE COUNCIL BY INDIVIDUALS.

The question of the legitimacy of the Council's entertaining charges against the Ministers of Convention, brought by individuals instead of by constituent Bodies and Boards of Convention, was referred to a Committee to report next year. The Committee is the Rev. Messrs. Reed, Smyth, W. L. Worcester, Ager, and Sewall.

#### THE REV. JOHN FAULKNER POTTS.

The following was adopted by the Council: —

*Resolved*, That we express our sympathy with our venerable brother, the Rev. John Faulkner Potts in his present illness, and our regrets that he is prevented from meeting with us.

*Resolved*, That we heartily congratulate him on the successful completion of his revision of the Library Edition of the "Arcana Cœlestia."

ROLL OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

The Rev. Messrs. Conant and Daniels were appointed to consider and report next year on the printing of a Roll of Deceased Ministers, from the beginning of Convention, in the annual JOURNAL.

LOUIS G. HOECK, *Chairman.*

H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

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No. 6.—REPORT OF THE CORPORATION OF THE NEW-CHURCH THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

BOSTON, MASS., May 11, 1910.

REPORT of the President of the New-Church Theological School, prepared by the Clerk and approved and adopted by the Board of Directors as their report to the Corporation. Also approved and adopted by the Corporation as its report to Convention.

WALTER A. ROBINSON, *Clerk.*

Since the annual meeting of May 26, 1909, the Board of Directors has held the usual quarterly meeting in October, January, and April. At these meetings the Treasurer made the usual financial reports, itemizing the receipts and expenditures and answering such questions upon the amounts and investments of the permanent funds as were asked. Each quarter Mr. H. H. Carter has reported that he has audited these accounts and has found them correct.

Prof. Jacob E. Werren has been enjoying a year's leave of absence, and, as his letters in the *Messenger* show, has been travelling in Europe and Egypt visiting friends and many of the small New-Church Societies, consulting many libraries and authorities in the interests of his department. No doubt the School and the Church at large will abundantly profit by his Sabbatical year. Rev. William F. Wunsch of Bath, Maine, has been employed to do a part of the work of Mr. Werren's department.

Under the direction of Mr. Harvey, and with the assistance of a student Mr. Wethey, a careful examination of the many books stored

in the school building has been made. Such as seemed to be of value to the School have been placed upon the library shelves. At Mr. Wethey's suggestion, many other books not useful to the School but still in good condition and of value elsewhere, were sent as a gift to friends in New Zealand, by vote of the Directors.

The construction of the Social Room in the school building, a memorial to the late Misses Ropes of Salem, was completed during the winter and was dedicated to the uses by a pleasant gathering of friends and the professors and students in the School. President and Mrs. Worcester and others received informally and light refreshments were served under the direction of the ladies of the Cambridge Society. The Social Room meets a distinct need of the School and is much appreciated. The occasion of this work being done was used to make extensive repairs in the students' room on the second floor, and in the rooms used for serving and preparing lunches on social and other occasions.

Plans have been drawn and approved, and specifications have been submitted to builders for the proposed fire-proof vaults for the storage of valuable books and other property of the School. The construction has not yet been entered upon because of lack of funds. Blue prints of the architect's plans have been sent to the Directors, and President Worcester urges that the Church contribute to this object liberally and at once to the end that the construction may be undertaken this spring. Mrs. Wright still occupies the Sparks Building as a tenant, paying therefor a generous rent, and contributing to the janitor service and care of the grounds.

Respectfully submitted.

WALTER A. ROBINSON, *Clerk.*

**No. 7.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE NEW-CHURCH  
THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.**

**ARTHUR REED, TREASURER, *in account with* THE NEW-CHURCH  
THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.**

1909.	DR.	
April 1.	Balance of Expense Account on hand .....	\$1,106.84
	Interest on Mortgages:—	
	C. R. Clapp .....	\$108.11
	First Baptist Society.....	144.00
	Brookline Society of the N. J. Church....	315.00
	L. E. Bates .....	166.67
	M. J. Angland .....	300.00
	A. M. Granger .....	630.00
	L. B. Terry .....	250.00
	G. S. Woodman .....	225.00
	T. M. Woods .....	225.00
	L. A. Padelford.....	75.00
	Jonathan White .....	450.00
	S. C. Lowe.....	400.00
	L. A. Padelford.....	90.00
	E. B. Wilbur .....	100.00
	A. J. Brainard.....	40.00
	F. H. Doyle-Knowles .....	100.00
	R. C. Brigham .....	375.00
	Alfred Freedman.....	225.00
	Interest on Bonds:—	
	N. Y. Central R. R. .....	150.00
	Terminal R. R. Association .....	120.00
	Herkimer L. & P. Co. ....	57.50
	Cleveland Cable Co. .....	25.00
	United Traction Co. ....	2,000.00
	United Elec. Securities Co. .....	500.00
	St. Paul Gas Co. .....	50.00
	American Tel. & Tel. Co. .....	80.00
	Grand Rapids & M. Co. .....	250.00
	Maine Central R. R. .....	290.00
	Dividends on Stocks:—	
	Old Colony R. R. .....	21.00
	<i>Amounts carried forward .....</i>	<i>\$7,762.28 \$1,106.84</i>

<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	<b>\$7,762.28</b>	<b>\$1,106.84</b>
Bank of Commerce .....	40.00	
Boston & Providence R. R. ....	50.00	
Boston & Albany R. R. ....	140.00	
Boston & Maine R. R. ....	96.00	
Merchants National Bank.....	10.50	
Estate of Mary Eveleth .....	223.20	
Rent of house 42 Quincy St. ....	800.00	
Mrs. Wright, repay't of janitor's wages.....	216.00	
General Convention Income .....	2,156.15	
Randall Hall bills of Harvard University repaid .....	390.33	
Income of E. O. Ropes legacy and balance of principal "for better support of Pro- fessors".....	632.29	
Legacy of William Mautz .....	100.00	
Interest on bank deposits .....	43.1C	
Sale of old junk, etc. ....	6.05	
Sale of Notes on H. & H. etc. ....	3.60	
Massachusetts New-Church Union, Income L. Clark Est. ....	400.00	
American Swedenborg P. & P. Society, Ex- press on books .....	4.00	
W. L. Worcester, on account of Massachu- setts New-Church Union bill .....	3.15	
Correspondence School notes .....	3.09	
Telephone charges collected .....	.90	
Interest on bank account .....	56.83	
<b>Building Improvement Fund:—</b>		
Thomas C. Thacher.....	<b>\$50.00</b>	
Richard A. Lewis .....	50.00	
Charles Whitemore .....	300.00	
Geo. Copeland & Mrs. L. Ryder	75.00	
C. W. Barron.....	50.00	
R. A. Shaw .....	25.00	
Mrs. Harriette Shaw .....	25.00	
C. H. de Silva .....	25.00	
Albert Stevens.....	5.00	
W. J. Hoe and Alfred C. Hoe ...	25.00	
James R. Carter .....	50.00	
Oswin J. Mills .....	5.00	
Mrs. L. S. Burnham .....	10.00	
Mrs. E. M. Saunders .....	5.00	
Mrs. H. M. Freas.....	200.00	
<i>Amounts carried forward .....</i>	<b>\$900.00</b>	<b>\$13,137.47</b>
		<b>\$1,106.84</b>

<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	\$900.00	\$13,137.47	\$1,106.84
Mrs. H. C. Thacher.....	100.00		
Rev. James Reed .....	50.00		
"Wisconsin" .....	125.00		
William Burnham .....	100.00		
George Burnham .....	50.00		
		1,325.00	
Borrowed from Investment Account ....		572.47	
			15,034.94
			<u>\$16,141.78</u>

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Salaries of Instructors .....	\$8,537.49
Light and Heat .....	302.23
Board of Visitors .....	34.30
Rev. J. K. Smyth, lectures .....	75.00
Janitor .....	535.26
Extra labor .....	300.78
Water .....	27.00
Mrs. T. F. Wright, pd. Janitor for her .....	198.00
Interest accrued on bonds bought .....	224.17
Harvard University, Randall Hall board bill	439.59
Rogers Fund—advanced to J. P. Dresser ...	90.00
Reception expenses .....	25.14
Repairs .....	657.08
Treasurer's appropriation .....	200.00
Sundry expenses .....	387.63
Building Improvements .....	4,108.11
	<u>\$16,141.78</u>

E. &amp; O. E.

ARTHUR REED,  
*Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct.

H. H. CARTER.

April 1, 1910.

*.Investments of the Corporation, April 1, 1910.***Mortgages:—**

Brookline New-Church Society .....	\$7,000.00
G. S. Woodman, Newton .....	4,000.00
M. J. Angland, Boston .....	6,000.00
S. C. Lowe, Newton.....	8,000.00
Jonathan White, Brockton .....	10,000.00
L. E. Bates, Boston .....	4,000.00
R. C. Bridgham, Newton .....	7,500.00
First Baptist Society, Brockton .....	3,200.00
T. M. Woods, Brockton .....	4,500.00
A. M. Granger et al, Boston .....	14,000.00
E. B. Wilbur, W. Bridgewater .....	2,000.00
L. A. Padelford, Providence .....	2,750.00
A. J. Brainerd, W. Bridgewater.....	800.00
Martha D. Knowles, Providence .....	2,000.00
L. B. Terry, Brockton .....	5,000.00
Alfred and Sarah Freedman, Brockton .....	9,000.00
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Sparks Estate, Cambridge .....	\$89,750.00
Greenough Estate, Cambridge .....	40,000.00
Chapel Building, Cambridge, and Furniture .....	20,000.00
School Library.....	27,000.00
Furniture, etc., of School Building .....	2,000.00
Brooks Estate, Cambridge .....	1,900.00
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	5,102.00

**Stocks:—**

16 Shares Boston & Albany R. R. ....	\$3,200.00
16 Shares Boston & Maine R. R. ....	2,042.00
3 Shares Old Colony R. R. ....	516.00
5 Shares Boston & Providence R. R. ....	1,200.00
800 Shares United Traction Co., Pittsburg .....	40,000.00
5 Shares Bank of Commerce, New York .....	780.00
3 Shares Merchants National Bank, New York .....	450.00
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	48,188.00

**Bonds:—**

\$1,000 St. Paul Gas Light Co. ....	\$955.00
\$3,000 Terminal R. R. Ass'n, St. Louis .....	3,000.00
\$7,000 Maine Central R. R. ....	7,050.00
\$10,000 United Electric Securities Co. ....	10,235.00
\$3,000 N. Y. Central R. R. Equipment .....	2,970.00
\$2,000 American Tel. & Tel. Co. ....	1,879.00
\$5,000 Grand Rapids & Muskegon Power Co. ...	5,000.00
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	31,089.00

*Amount carried forward .....*

\$265,029.00

<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$265,029.00
Due from Expense Account .....	572.47
Cash on deposit at New England Trust Co. .....	1,224.27
	<u><u>\$266,825.74</u></u>

Securities examined, and found correct as above.

H. H. CARTER.

Representing funds as follows:—

Cambridge Real Estate Fund .....	\$24,821.34
Endowment Fund .....	68,585.07
Hayden Endowment Fund .....	30,640.21
Chapel Building Fund .....	26,368.60
Elocution Department Endowment Fund .....	40,000.00
Asa Weeks Fund.....	6,441.74
Henry C. Thacher Fund .....	10,000.00
Lydia Worcester Fund .....	19,922.50
R. P. Boynton Fund .....	1,683.21
Elizabeth Talbot Fund .....	1,948.03
Frances R. Gibson Fund.....	18,355.04
Land Purchase Fund .....	5,010.00
Theodore F. Wright Fund .....	2,000.00
Eliza O. Ropes Fund .....	10,000.00
Sophia Knight Fund .....	1,000.00
Increase and Decrease .....	50.00
	<u><u>\$266,825.74</u></u>

## No. 8.—REPORT OF THE MANAGERS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

AFTER the adjournment of Convention in 1909, the Board organized for the year by appointing the Rev. James Reed, Chairman, and the Rev. H. Clinton Hay, Secretary, in place of the Rev. Willard H. Hinkley, whose feeble state of health prevented his attendance at the meeting. In August he passed into the other world. Rev. Messrs. Sewall, Smyth, Hay, and Messrs. J. T. Prince and Walter A. Robinson were appointed the Board of Visitors. Their annual report has been made as usual to the Managers.

The report of the President, herewith submitted, contains an account of the condition and operations of the School during the past year. This account renders unnecessary any further particulars on our part.

The members of the Board whose term of office expire at this time are the Rev. Messrs. John C. Ager, Frank Sewall, Julian K. Smyth, and Dr. John T. Prince. It will also be necessary to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term of two years caused by the decease of Mr. Hinkley.

JAMES REED, *Chairman.*

H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

*To the Managers of the New-Church Theological School:—*

The department of Theology has continued in the care of the Rev. J. C. Ager, who has made further progress in systematizing the study. Thus far it has been possible in Theology for all the students to work together as one class. Spiritual interpretation of the Scriptures has remained in my care. The work of the three years in Scripture Interpretation has been represented, requiring three separate classes. I have also given instruction in Homiletics and Pastoral Duty. The first year in Homiletics has been given to preparation for Sunday-school work, and several persons besides our regular students have attended the exercises in this course. The Rev. L. F. Hite has continued the instruction in Philosophy, and the Rev. C. W. Harvey in Church History. In each of these subjects it has been possible to keep all the students together as one class, increasing the interest and profit of the work. Mr. Harvey has also

continued class work and individual instruction in Voice Production and Reading. The Rev. J. E. Werren, professor of Sacred Languages has been absent through the year, visiting the Holy Land and pursuing study in connection with his department. Instruction in the department has been given by the Rev. W. F. Wunsch, who has made visits to the School on alternate weeks. It is expected that Mr. Hite will spend the coming year abroad, and Mr. Harvey has generously offered to conduct the course in Philosophy during his absence.

During the year the Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., has given at the School two illustrated lectures on the development of the New Church in England and America; and Dr. H. W. Dresser, two lectures on "The New Thought," the first of these lectures being an exposition, the second a criticism.

Four students have been in attendance during most of the year, and one former student in the School, has returned this spring for some special work. Four other students who were expected were prevented, at least temporarily, from coming. One student, Mr. E. M. L. Gould completes two years at the School this spring, and becomes assistant to the Pastor of the Newtonville Society.

Besides the students in attendance at the School several others have done good work by correspondence in the departments of Theology and Scripture study, and in preparation for Sunday-school work. Among correspondent students are Dr. M. F. Underwood, who has come actively into the work of the ministry in San Diego, California; and Mr. J. H. Andersen who has been diligently translating Swedenborg into Spanish, and is acting also as leader of a group of persons interested in the New Church in Valencia, Spain. Something more than forty persons, besides our regular students, have followed more or less closely the course in preparation for Sunday-school work.

The changes which were mentioned in our last report as probably to be made in our school buildings, have been in part very successfully accomplished. A spacious and comfortable parlor and reading-room and convenient shelves for the working library have been provided; and incidentally the students' rooms on the second floor have been much improved. The parlor adds greatly to the home-like character of the school building, and makes hospitality much more possible. It is useful, also, to the Cambridge Society for religious and social meetings. The other part of the improvement planned,

the fire-proof stack for the safe-keeping of valuable books and other treasures, has not yet been realized, awaiting sufficient contributions to build in a thoroughly substantial way. We hope that this very necessary addition will soon be built for we need the space for the proper arranging of our library. We have, also, valuable books which need protection, and we know of others which will be given to the School when it can insure them safe-keeping.

The School has transferred to the Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society the stock of the Latin edition of Swedenborg in sheets, which was received years ago from England. We gratefully acknowledge the continued kindness of the same society in supplying complete sets of their edition of Swedenborg to our students. We have received during the year some interesting pictures, among them a portrait of the Rev. M. M. Carll, and a photographic copy of a portrait of Swedenborg from the library of the Rev. W. H. Mayhew.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM L. WORCESTER.

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No. 9.—REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

DURING the past year the general policy of the Board of Missions has continued as before, most of the work already in hand has been continued, and some new ventures have been undertaken. It was strongly felt that a Supervising Missionary should be appointed; and an earnest effort has been made to find a suitable candidate who would accept the office, but so far without success; the one originally appointed could not accept. The Board still considers this the most important change needed in making its work more effective.

Appropriations have been continued to the Ohio Association for use in Toledo and Louisville; to the Maryland Association for the work of Rev. J. B. Spiers in Richmond and the South; to the Maine Association for the work of Rev. E. K. Bray as missionary during the summer months; to Rev. Adolph L. Goerwitz in Switzerland, Rev. C. J. N. Manby in Sweden, Rev. Sorien Christian Brönniche in Denmark, and Rev. W. H. Adkins in Arkansas. Support to the Denver and the San Diego Societies has been resumed.

New undertakings have been the employment of Dr. N. H. Clafin

as colporteur in California, Rev. James E. Thomas as correspondent missionary among the colored people, the partial support of *The New Era Herald*, a Spanish New-Church Journal published by Dr. L. E. Calleja of Guadalajara, Mexico, and the supplying to Dr. Calleja, Rev. J. M. Shepherd and Rev. E. W. Shields of literature for distribution. Provision was made for installing an exhibit in the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, and the services of Rev. L. G. Landenberger were retained there as agent for three months. Appropriation was made for the expense of Rev. Frank Sewall in a missionary tour along the Pacific Coast during the summer months. Rev. A. B. Francisco was engaged for a two months' missionary visit to the people in the Texas field. Assistance has been conditionally offered to the Society in Auckland, New Zealand. Correspondence has been maintained with various places where there is an evidence of new openings for the Church. There is immediate need of provision being made for meeting the needs and opportunities in Washington State, Los Angeles, the Canadian North-West, Iowa and Kansas, Texas and Florida, and various foreign places such as Valencia, Spain, and Guadalajara, Mexico. Attention has been given to the situation in Georgetown, British Guiana, but no definite action has so far been possible.

Bequests have been received from Henry Siebert, of Pretty Prairie, Kansas, \$500, and from the estate of George William Boyd, \$1,000. The total receipts for current use from all sources have been approximately \$8,900, including \$2,280.42 accrued dividends and interest on the Ropes legacies, and the expenditures have been about \$5,200. If a Supervising Missionary had been engaged, a deficit of \$1,000 on the year's receipts would have had to be reported. It will be seen therefore that the new work which ought to be undertaken in various fields, and the desired appointment of a Supervising Missionary cannot be accomplished without a substantial increase in the income of the Board. The experience of the year has shown that the time is ripe for marked increase in our missionary efforts and activities; and the Board desires to urge upon the members and friends of the church such responsive generosity as the conditions justify.

The question of the reconstruction of the Board of Missions was referred by Convention to the Board together with a Sub-Committee of the General Council, and has received careful consideration. It

is the conviction of the Board that the present, at least, is not a suitable time to undertake any form of reorganization that has so far been proposed.

Consequent upon the passing into the spiritual world of Rev. Willard H. Hinkley, for many years the faithful and efficient Secretary of the Board of Missions, the following resolution was adopted:

"Whereas the Board of Home and Foreign Missions has learned with sorrow of the decease of its former Secretary, Rev. Willard H. Hinkley, therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Board place upon its minutes this testimony of its appreciation of his long and useful life in the service of the New Church, and his zealous devotion to the work of the Board of Missions; and also that sympathy be hereby expressed with the surviving family of the deceased in the hour of their bereavement."

Respectfully submitted for the Board.

WILLIAM W. TOWLE, *President.*

PAUL SPERRY, *Secretary.*

BOSTON, 1910.

#### THE ALASKA-YUKON-PACIFIC EXPOSITION.

The Board of Missions established an Agent in charge of the New-Church Exhibit in Seattle, for three months during the summer of 1909. Rev. Louis G. Landenberger served most effectively in this capacity, superintending the installation of the Exhibit, distributing literature, meeting strangers, conducting religious services and soliciting assistance from the various publishing agencies of the Church. About 20,000 people received literature of various kinds from the booth; 200 books were given away, 13,000 pamphlets, 1,262 copies of "pocket edition" of Swedenborg's Writings, 1,500 leaflets and cards, and many thousands of *Helpers*, *Tracts*, *Messengers* and *Catalogues*. It is impossible to estimate the influence exerted through the personal contact with interested people and the suggestions given by the Agent. Services were held continuously during the three months in Rainier Hall in the City of Seattle.

The Rev. Frank Sewall made a tour to the Exposition under the auspices of the Board of Missions; he lectured in the Auditorium on the observance of "Swedenborg Day," officially set apart in the Exposition Program, and he delivered week-night lectures in Seattle.

The tour included visits on behalf of the Board, in Waldeck, Saskatchewan, Can., Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Riverside and San Diego, with preaching and lecturing at every opportunity. At Seattle he officiated at the ordination of Rev. Jacob Schroeder. The Board itself has derived great benefit from the reports of the tour, in addition to the help given to the societies visited.

*Report of the Rev. Junius B. Spiers, Richmond, Virginia.*

The work has continued as usual in Richmond, where I have preached 26 Sundays, and participated in the Sunday-school. The average attendance at Sunday worship has been 25, and at the Sunday-school 22, with 4 teachers.

Outside of Richmond I have visited 31 places, delivering 48 sermons or lectures, having an average attendance of 15. I have preached three times each in Savannah, Atlanta and Decatur, Ga. Jacksonville, Fla., Baltimore, Md., Highland Springs and Petersburg Va.; twice each in New Orleans and Riverside, La., Swannanoa N. C., Chattanooga and Ridgedale, Tenn.; and once each in Clarkston, East Point and Tybee, Ga., Columbia, S. C., Hallsboro, Va., Scott, Weldon and Southwood, N. C., Mobile, Fairhope, Montgomery, Flomaton and Birmington, Ala., Lux and Hattiesburg, Miss., Knoxville, Wheat, Oliver Springs and Straw Plains, Tenn. About 100 families have been visited, the Holy Supper administered 18 times with an average attendance of 12, and four infants have been baptised. About 1,500 copies of the *Helper* have been distributed.

There has been received in the field \$476 as follows: Savannah, \$88; Jacksonville, \$92; Fairhope, \$7.50; New Orleans, \$70; Atlanta, \$59; Chattanooga, \$29; Virginia, \$62.50; miscellaneous, \$18. Travelling expense in the Southern Field and maintenance of the Richmond work have been met and a balance of \$64.38 remains.

May 1 the Richmond Mission will be removed to 901 West Main Street, where the location and accommodations will be much more advantageous.

*Report of the Rev. James E. Thomas, Mobile, Alabama.*

For the past year I have served as assistant to the dean of the Teacher's College, Howard University, Washington, D. C., in re-

ligious and educational work. Meanwhile, I was teaching in mission school, visiting, preaching and doing a useful missionary work in other ways, such as keeping in touch with interested persons, by correspondence, in Mobile, Bessemer, Birmingham, Tuscaloosa, Rosedale, Greensboro, points in Alabama, Florida and North Carolina. During the past year I visited North Carolina, Richmond, Va., Birmingham, Bessemer, Rosedale, and Montgomery, Ala.

I attended the colored Alabama State Teachers' Association held in Birmingham, March 23-25. There were about 750 Negro school teachers in the audience of about 1,200 persons in the large church. I was seated and became active in all the meetings.

I came to Mobile, Ala., Feb. 1, 1910, and have been actively engaged in missionary work here since that time. I am connected with the Young Men's Christian Association here and have accepted an invitation to conduct a Bible class for the Association. I have already supplied the Young Men's Christian Association with all of Swedenborg's Theological works. These I shall have at my elbow when teaching. This is a rare opportunity. I have recently delivered a lecture before the Young Men's Christian Association which was well advertised and an appreciative audience was present.

The work in Tuscaloosa is encouraging. I have there 16 interested persons. Some of these are already in the Church. There are several school teachers among this number. For several years I have been going from place to place. It was providential; and true to the command, as I "go, I preach." This I believe is my bounden duty.

*Report of the Rev. W. H. Adkins, Brentwood, Arkansas.*

I have been preaching regularly since September 10, last fall. Have kept up two regular appointments, once per month, at each place, and the other Sundays in each month, with the exception of two or three, have been given to other places. I receive many requests to hold services which circumstances do not permit me to accept. This is a rough mountain country, and much of the travel must be done on horseback across the mountains, and oftentimes through raging mountain torrents.

The people seem to be in a receptive state, and many are hungering for the bread of life. They are mostly poor, and are not accustomed to paying for the preaching of the Gospel. Hence the missionary

can rely on very little financial aid in this field. And as much of my time must be used in manual labor, my missionary work must necessarily be limited. Yet the fact that I am a working man brings me into sympathetic touch with the people and gives me more influence with them perhaps than a more favored man would have.

We are maintaining monthly services at Sulphur City, Ark., where Brother G. E. Hemer and his good wife are maintaining a Sunday-school, and doing all they can for the cause of their beloved church.

This place promises to become a good working center and the headquarters of the New-Church work in northwest Arkansas. There is talk of building a house of worship in the near future.

*Report of Dr. N. H. Clafin, Riverside, California.*

The following is a summary of the work accomplished during January, February and March, 1910.

Books loaned, 109. Lectures, 76. Tracts, 93. Folders given, 426. Occasionally a family has been visited and talked with about our doctrines, about 44 such have been seen. The general practice is to visit individual men in their offices.

Ministers talked with and offered the "Gift Books," 43. Of these only one is strongly prejudiced against the New Church. About 15 have the "Gift Books," 6 sent for them, 6 others promised to send, and some of the others showed an inclination to investigate. Four cities have been canvassed. Those manifestly interested are seen about once a week, for three or more weeks, as may be practicable.

For this purpose a small basket is carried, stocked each morning as may seem desirable. Literature is loaned for a stated time, often one week, when it is called for and a further opportunity sought to converse regarding our doctrines. The ten cent edition of "Heaven and Hell" is placed on sale in the book stores and attention called to the fact and to the books in the Public Library.

My intention is to go to San Francisco to the meeting of the "California Association" on the 22nd to the 25th of this month (April), report to that Association and if practicable, work under their supervision for several months in the central portion of the State.

*Report of the Rev. S. Chr. Brönniche, Copenhagen, Denmark.*

Within the past year the Divine Services on Sundays have been kept up regularly in Copenhagen except from the middle of July to September 1, which time I have spent in vacation.

In the latter part of June I made a visit to Stockholm upon invitation of a friend, on the occasion of the 70th birthday of the Rev. Mr. Manby, celebrated on June 29. In this beautiful city I had the pleasure of preaching to the Swedish congregation, and here I spent a week in company with Mr. Manby, Mr. Stroh and other New-Church friends. I also visited Upsala.

In the autumn I gave a series of lectures on the subject: "Death, Resurrection and Eternal Life." These lectures were well attended, especially by strangers.

The society has been for about ten years without any constitution, as circumstances here did not seem to favor it. However, in later years the question of the necessity of having a constitution in printed form has been taken up and has finally culminated in the adoption of a constitution of February 10, 1910, prepared by the Pastor of the society and a committee chosen by the members.

In the doctrinal class for the young people held in my house every Monday evening, I have gone through parts of the Gospel of Mark, making special application of the "Doctrine of Correspondences." The Sunday-school has also been continued.

Two adults and two children have been baptized in the Church, and the Holy Supper has been celebrated five times. Two members have joined the congregation, and two have gone to the other world.

The monthly paper, which I am editing has had a hard struggle financially, but it is to be hoped that it may find the necessary support from a recently raised fund, "The New-Church Aiding Fund," including support from the congregation itself as well as outside of it. The aim of this fund is to assist the work for the church in Denmark, where it may be especially necessary, and though the amount pledged for the present year is only about \$100, it will no doubt become of great use in any emergency.

The lectures held in Christiania, Norway, last year have not been followed by other lectures as I had hoped, as the means could not be procured. I have had some correspondence with a few people in Christiania, but this way of doing missionary work will always be

insufficient as the interest must be nourished by personal contact.

I feel that our work is limited very much in many respects by lack of means. The Pastor of the society here and a representative have been invited to attend the Swedenborg Congress in London, but the means for the journey are lacking.

I am very glad to mention that I have had a communication from the Rev. Mr. W. Winslow in California, in which he states that he has finished his translation of the first part of "The True Christian Religion" in Danish. Several years ago, he translated the second part and I hope the completion of this translation may soon lead up to the printing of this most important work. That we are in great need of this work in a good translation is certain, and Mr. Winslow's competence as a translator is indisputable.

In closing, let me express my thankfulness towards the brethren abroad for the continuance of their support in my work, — a support without which I should be quite unable to carry on this work, as it makes two-thirds of my income.

*Report of the Rev. C. J. N. Manby, Stockholm, Sweden.*

The year 1909 will be thankfully remembered by me for many reasons. Completing then my seventieth year, in the most kind way I was the object of the benevolence of my co-believers on that occasion.

After the celebration of my birthday on the 29th of June, I went out to my missionary work in the country. And well I may thankfully remember this, the work being in many respects very encouraging. During the first half of the journey I went from friends to friends, being entertained by them in the various places where I lectured and preached. Amongst other places I also visited Orebro, a city in the central part of the country, as also Skara. In the last named city, I lectured twice before 120 and about 200 hearers respectively.

At other places in Westrogothia the audiences also were good, sometimes exceedingly so, for instance in Gröstorp, where at the one lecture the hearers were near to 200, and at the other over 75. At Moral and Tidaholm the hearers ranged from 75 to 125. At that time the general strike broke out in the country. In Ostrogothia I

lectured and preached in three places, amongst them the well-known city Norrköping, before about 50, 80 and 48 hearers, respectively.

From there I went to Upland, above Upsala, and lectured at several large industrial places, where the strike was very marked. The people, however, had time, and what was better, willingness to hear. But they said frankly that they had no money to buy books. But you may judge of their willingness to hear by the following facts. At Elfkarleby, the audience was about 125; at Skutskär (on the Baltic) at least 150; at Sodenfors, on Saturday evening, nearly 150. The Pastor of the parish, who was there with his wife, said, on Monday (when we travelled together on the railroad, and had a good talk about religious subjects, especially concerning the Trinity), that he was astonished that so many could sit attentively listening for one hour and a half to a purely religious discourse, people whom he did not see at his services. Perhaps it is of interest to mention that, with the Pastor's own permission, I had opened to my lecture, as also for the service on Sunday afternoon, the Lecture Hall, where he for the time being, during the repairing of the church, held his own services.

At Dannemora, the world-famous iron mines — where I, during my student years, had been a private teacher — I lectured before 50.

But the most remarkable experience of the whole summer campaign was without doubt my visit at Upsala. There a large hall, "Tyris Hall" (Tyris is the name of the stream running through the city), belonging to the city, was opened to me, almost without cost. The two lectures there were attended by 325 and about 300 respectively. At the service, afterward, on the Sunday morning, the 29th of August, the hearers were 213, certainly very remarkable when you think of the various other places where services were going on at the same time. And the interest of the people was great indeed, both at the lectures and at the service. At this place books could also be sold — for nearly 40 Swedish crowns.

This was the last station of the summer tour. On the first Sunday in September the services in Stockholm were taken up again.

The average attendance at the regular services in Stockholm has been about 52. The Bible class on Sunday evenings, the Sunday-school, and the Arcana class have gone on as usual.

Pastoral visits were paid to the Gothenburg Society in March and at the close of November. The services there are usually very well attended. On the 7th of March the hearers were 52, and on the 27th

of November, about 60. At the communion table on the same occasion the partakers were 24 and about 30, respectively. The audience at the lecture on the 8th of March was 83.

*By: Report of the Rev. Adolph L. Goerwitz, Zurich, Switzerland.*

Before referring to my missionary work in the past autumn, I must report the sad fact that, on August 22, 1909, Vittorio Risegari, the President of the Society in Trieste, was called into the other life. I was informed of his removal by telegram and officiated at the funeral service in Italian at the Catholic Cemetery in the midst of his family and the New-Church friends. Mr. Risegari has been a fervent New-Churchman, full of love for the truths of the Lord's Second Coming, and devoted to the cause with all his mind up to the last minute of his earthly life. His removal leaves a gap in the small society which is felt very keenly.

I first went to Bielefeld in Westfalen, Northern Germany, having the addresses of four subscribers to my monthly paper who live near that town. They are all aged men, adhering to our doctrines for many years. Owing to the German law regarding the education of children, these four old men are the only survivors of a small circle of believers. In the house of one of them where I stayed, about twenty persons met two evenings in succession to hear lectures which I delivered on the doctrines of the Trinity, and of the Sacred Scripture. They seemed to be interested, and although most of them had a two hours' walk in reaching home, they stayed till after eleven o'clock asking questions on different points of doctrine. This seemed quite hopeful; but it would take the continued presence of a minister to lay the foundation of a New-Church Society in Bielefeld. On one afternoon, I administered the Holy Supper to five persons in a special service.

With the Berlin Society I stayed one week. I preached and lectured several times in the society's hall of worship, and administered the Holy Supper to forty persons. I also delivered a public lecture in a larger public hall and the discussion following the lecture was remarkable in showing to what a degree Theosophy, that is that unsound mixture of Buddhism and Pseudo-Christianity, is taking hold of the mind of the German population. Aside from infidelity, Theosophy is becoming the principal foe of the New Church in Europe.

The one evening which I was able to spend at Leipsig, a number of people gathered at the home of Lady v. Struve, who, though not of the New Church herself, shows a warm interest in our doctrines and makes many people acquainted with them. Before a small audience, consisting partly of New-Church people and partly of modern agnostics, I lectured on the firm point of view which the New-Church doctrines give in relation to all fundamental questions of life.

From Leipsig I went to Prague in Bohemia. A Mr. Janecek of that city had subscribed for my "Monatblätter für die Neue Kirche" which gave me an opportunity to write to him. Through the correspondence thus ensuing I learned that he and his wife had in a wonderful way come to know and love the Writings, and that he had also made some Bohemian friends acquainted with them. He rejoiced at the prospect of coming into direct contact with the Church at large through my visit. So the first New-Church service in Bohemia was held on October 17, 1909, at the home of Mr. Janecek in Vinohrady, near Prague, in the presence of his friends and four members of the Vienna Society, who had undertaken that long journey in order to strengthen the feeling of companionship of our few Bohemian friends. The Bible was read in Czech and German, and I delivered a discourse on the New Jerusalem. A strong sphere of solemnity pervaded the meeting. Afterwards means and ways were discussed as to how the new message could be made known in Bohemia. The development of the New Church there meets with the same difficulties as in other parts of Austria-Hungary. Not only is Prague a stronghold of the Roman Catholic Church, but also the center of the anti-German persecutions in Bohemia. The German language is being suppressed in all the schools and public institutions, and the number of those who speak German is diminishing rapidly. The primary necessity for the spread of the New Church here as elsewhere is, therefore, the publication of New-Church works in the Czech tongue. Mr. Janecek has translated some tracts from German into Czech, and has also commenced to translate "Heaven and Hell." His friends who are not familiar with German meet at his house every Thursday and receive their knowledge of the doctrines through him. I firmly believe that Mr. Janecek, who, by the way, is a well-known Czechish author, will prove to be an efficient instrument of the Lord's Divine Providence in the propagation of the truths of His Second Coming. I hope to visit him and his friends every year from now on.

From Prague I had intended to go directly to Stuttgart to preach at the annual meeting of the German Swedenborg Society. But since there were a few days left before that Sunday, I went to Vienna, where in those three days I preached once and lectured twice.

From Vienna I went directly to Stuttgart in time to preach at the assembly of the German Swedenborg Society, a printing society which publishes the theological works of Swedenborg in German. The report of the society's book-agent showed an unusual increase of book-sales during the past year.

In Switzerland the work is going on in good order. At the annual meeting of our Swiss Union, eleven new members were received. The church building fund of the Zurich Society which was founded last year is increasing slowly but steadily. It was with much satisfaction that I saw it mentioned in the *Messenger*, and I hope it may find some friends in America in spite of the great distance.

I cannot close this report without extending my heartfelt thanks to the Convention for the warm interest shown as well as for the substantial support granted towards my work here.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

LLOYD A. FROST, TREASURER, in account with THE BOARD OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

*Sustaining Fund.*

	DR.
1909.	
May 1. To Balance .....	\$1,749.10
1910.	
April 30. To amounts received during the year per reports in <i>New-Church Messenger</i> :—	
139 Individuals .....	\$2,071.30
23 Societies .....	742.73
Trustees of Kirk Fund .....	100.00
Trustees of Chillicothe Fund .....	150.00
Income Endowment Fund:—	
Interest, Home Bank .....	\$5.63
Dividends, Edison Electric ....	55.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. ....	30.00
Boston & Maine .....	30.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. ....	40.00
Fitchburg Preferred .....	50.00
American Tel. & Tel. ....	40.00
General Electric .....	40.00
Boston & Albany .....	43.75
Boston Elevated .....	30.00
Pennsylvania R. R. ....	13.50
Interest, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., 6s .....	6.00
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Interest on Current Account:—	
International Trust Co. ....	22.26
Treasurer General Convention:—	
Income Sundry Funds:—	
½ Wilkins .....	\$75.37
½ Kendall .....	57.58
Officer .....	40.00
½ Barker .....	47.03
Lowe .....	80.00
Kimball .....	40.00
Emerson .....	11.20
½ Hayden (Home) .....	40.00
½ Hayden (Foreign) .....	40.00
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Amounts carried forward .....	\$431.18    \$3,470.17    \$1,749.10

<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	<b>\$431.18</b>	<b>\$3,470.17</b>	<b>\$1,749.10</b>
Wright .....	80.00		
Mary P. Ropes .....	953.75		
Eliza O. Ropes .....	956.66		
Eliza O. Ropes (Mission) ..	200.00		
Seibert.....	9.34		
Washington .....	207.12		
Eliza O. Ropes, Accrued Interest .....	316.15		
Eliza O. Ropes, Accrued Dividends & Interest ...	1,964.17		
		<b>5,118.37</b>	

**Income Special Funds:—**

Du Pont (Louisville Society)...	<b>\$325.20</b>
Savannah (Savannah Society)	
½ Interest Union Bank ....	<b>11.56</b>
	<b>336.76</b>
	<b>8,925.30</b>
	<b><u>\$10,674.40</u></b>

1910.

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April 30. By Payments for the year as follows:—

**Home Work:—**

Maryland Association, Rev. J. B. Spiers 12 mos. at \$75.00 .....	<b>\$900.00</b>
Texas, Rev. A. B. Francisco, trip, 2 mos. at \$120.00 .....	<b>240.00</b>
Ohio Association, Rev. C. S. Mack, 6 mos. at \$33.33 .....	<b>199.98</b>
6 mos. at \$25.00 .....	<b>150.00</b>
Maine Association, Rev. E. K. Bray ..	<b>250.00</b>
Washington State Association, Rev. Rev. Jacob Kimm .....	<b>50.00</b>
San Diego, California Society, 4 mos. at \$35.00.....	<b>140.00</b>
Winslow Arkansas Society, Rev. W. H. Adkins .....	<b>100.00</b>
Denver Colo., Society, Rev. F. A. Gus- tafson, 6 mos. at \$33.33 .....	<b>199.98</b>
Rev. H. C. Dunham, 6 mos. at \$33.33	<b>199.98</b>
Rev. James E. Thomas, 7 mos. at \$15.00 .....	<b>105.00</b>

*Amounts carried forward .....* **\$2,534.94**

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	.....	\$2,534.94
Rev. James E. Thomas, Trips to Hadley, N. C., Hampton, Va., and Birmingham, Ala.	.....	68.20
Rev. Wm. P. Harthill, trip to Prosser, Wash.	.....	25.00
Seattle Exposition, Installing Exhibit	.....	200.00
Expenses of the Rev. L. G. Landenberger, agent	.....	229.85
Rev. L. G. Landenberger, agent, 3 mos. at \$100.00	.....	300.00
Rev. H. C. Dunham, for Los Angeles, Cal., Work	.....	10.00
Rev. Frank Sewall, trip to Pacific Coast	.....	200.00
N. H. Claflin, 4 mos. at \$25.00	.....	100.00
	.....	<u>\$3,667.99</u>
<b>Foreign Work: —</b>		
Sweden, Rev. C. J. N. Manby	.....	\$150.00
Denmark, Rev. S. C. Brönniche	.....	150.00
Switzerland, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz	.....	325.00
Mexico, L. E. Calleja, for publishing <i>New Era Herald</i>	.....	81.00
	.....	<u>706.00</u>
Louisville, Ky., Society, income Du Pont Fund	.....	325.20
Savannah, Ga., Society, one-half income Savannah Fund	.....	11.56
<b>Salaries: —</b>		
Secretary, Rev. Willard H. Hinkley	.....	\$150.00
Secretary, Rev. Paul Sperry	.....	50.00
Treasurer, Lloyd A. Frost	.....	50.00
	.....	<u>250.00</u>
<b>Books and Tracts: —</b>		
Rev. James M. Shepherd	.....	7.15
Dr. L. E. Calleja	.....	6.70
Rev. Eli W. Shields	.....	25.00
Sundry Persons	.....	4.25
	.....	<u>43.10</u>
<b>Expenses: —</b>		
Secretary, postage, etc.	.....	\$10.00
Treasurer, postage, etc.	.....	13.52
Treasurer's Surety Bond	.....	15.00
Treasurer, Index card and case	.....	7.75
Exchange on checks	.....	1.10
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<i>Amounts carried forward</i>	.....	\$47.37 \$5,003.85

<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	<b>\$47.37</b>	<b>\$5,003.85</b>
Post Office Orders .....	3.30	
Printing Annual Report.....	9.50	
Printing and mailing Annual Appeal ...	49.94	
Advertising <i>New-Church Messenger</i> ...	7.50	
Printing, postage, express, sundry, etc.	25.00	
Traveling expenses, Executive Committee .....	16.20	
		<b>158.81</b>
		<b>\$5,162.66</b>
Accrued income Eliza O. Ropes (\$5,000 Fund) .....	<b>\$316.15</b>	
Accrued income, Eliza O. Ropes Fund ..	<b>1,964.17</b>	
		<b>2,280.32</b>
		<b>\$7,442.98</b>
<b>1910.</b>		
April 30 Balance on hand .....	<b>3,231.42</b>	
		<b>\$10,674.40</b>

**FUNDS HELD BY THE BOARD.****ENDOWMENT FUND.**

1909.

May 1. Balance .....	<b>\$7,242.13</b>
Aug. 20. Legacy of Wm. Mautz, Stewardson, Ill. ....	100.00
Oct. 23. A. H. Childs, Pittsburg, Pa. .....	25.00

1910.

Jan. 7. Sale of 6 N. Y., N. H., & Hartford Rights .....	32.70
Sale of 5 Edison Electric Rights .....	19.13
Jan. 13. Executors of Will of Geo. Wm. Boyd, Boston .....	1,000.00
April 30. Accrued income, Eliza O. Ropes Fund (\$5,000) ....	<b>316.15</b>
Accrued income, Eliza O. Ropes Fund .....	<b>1,964.17</b>

1910.

April 30. Present amount of Fund .....	<b>\$10,699.28</b>
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**SAVANNAH FUND.**

1909.

May 1. Balance .....	<b>\$570.19</b>
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1910

April 30. $\frac{1}{2}$ Interest Union Bank.....	<b>11.56</b>
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Present amount of Fund .....	<b>\$581.75</b>
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## BRITISH GUIANA FUND.

1909.		
May 1.	Balance .....	\$820.81
1910.		
April 30.	Interest, Warren Bank.....	33.14
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	Present amount of Fund .....	\$853.95

## PROPERTY OF THE BOARD.

5 Shares Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Boston, at 215 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	\$1,075.63
5 Shares Boston & Albany R. R. Co., at 214 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	1,070.63
5 Shares Boston Elevated Ry, at 130 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	650.63
5 Shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co., at 109 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	549.38
5 Shares New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., at 107 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	538.13
5 Shares Boston & Maine R. R., at 142 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	710.63
5 Shares N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., at 142 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	710.63
5 Shares General Electric Co., at 111 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	555.63
10 Shares Fitchburg R. R., Preferred, at 120 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	1,206.26
\$100, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., 6 per cent. Debentures at 100 .....	100.00
18 Shares Penn. R. R. Co., (Par \$50) at 135 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	1,217.25
Deposit in Home Savings Bank, Boston .....	34.16
Deposit in International Trust Company, Boston.....	2,280.32
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	\$10,699.28

Representing Endowment Fund .....	\$10,699.28
Deposit in Union Institution for Savings, Boston .....	581.75
Representing Savannah Fund .....	581.75
Deposit in Warren Institution for Savings, Boston .....	853.95
Representing British Guiana Fund .....	853.95
Deposit in International Trust Company, Boston .....	3,231.42
Representing Sustaining Fund .....	\$3,231.42
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	\$15,366.40
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	\$15,366.40

LLOYD A. FROST, *Treasurer.*

Examined. Securities and cash found on hand.

W. W. TOWLE, *Auditor.*

## No. 10. — REPORT OF THE NEW-CHURCH BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The organization of the Board of Directors of The New-Church Board of Publication for the year 1909-1910 is as follows:—

<i>Term Expires 1910.</i>	<i>Term Expires 1911.</i>
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R. A. SHAW, of N. Y.	E. P. CALL, of N. Y.
<i>Term Expires 1912.</i>	<i>Term Expires 1913.</i>
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*Auditing Committee.* — Messrs. EDWARD SHERER and JOHN F. SEEKAMP.

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## TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

*General Receipts and Expenditures, from April 1, 1909 to April 1, 1910.*

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*Cash on hand, April 1, 1909:* —

Income Merchandise Department .....	\$546.79
Principal Merchandise Department .....	100.00
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	\$646.79
Income for Messenger Fund Interest.....	887.30
Income for use Merchandise Department .....	277.74
Interest McDonald Fund .....	374.17
" White Fund.....	114.00
" Bennett Fund .....	290.70
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	\$2,590.70

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<i>New-Church Messenger Income Messenger Fund .....</i>	<b>\$887.30</b>
<i>New-Church Board of Publications, account of Merchandise Department .....</i>	<b>1,178.94</b>
<i>Cash on hand due Merchandise Department .....</i>	<b>524.46</b>
	<b>\$2,590.70</b>

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*New-Church Messenger Fund.*

<i>Income received during year.....</i>	<b>\$887.30</b>
<i>Paid New-Church Messenger .....</i>	<b>\$887.30</b>

The Principal of Fund, \$18,439.70 invested as follows:—

<i>W. H. Burnap, New York City, 6 per cent, due June 30, 1912 .....</i>	<b>\$5,800.00</b>
<i>Adolph Fischl, Mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent, due April 2, 1913 .....</i>	<b>12,000.00</b>
<i>Alex. D. Duff, Mortgage, New York City, 5½ per cent, due July 14, 1911 .....</i>	<b>639.70</b>
	<b>\$18,439.70</b>

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*The Mrs. Lydia Helena Haworth-McDonald Fund.*

<i>Income received during the year .....</i>	<b>\$374.17</b>
<i>Paid Merchandise .....</i>	<b>\$374.17</b>

Principal of Fund, \$7,300 is invested as follows:—

<i>W. H. Burnap, Mortgage, New York City, 6 per cent, due June 30, 1912 .....</i>	<b>\$2,300.00</b>
<i>Sarah Sibbald, Mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent, due Sept. 30, 1910 .....</i>	<b>2,000.00</b>
<i>T. P. and A. Ryan, Mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent, due March 15, 1913 .....</i>	<b>2,000.00</b>
<i>On hand waiting investment.....</i>	<b>1,000.00</b>
	<b>\$7,300.00</b>

*The Captain White Fund.*

Income received during year.....	<u>\$114.00</u>
Paid Merchandise Department.....	<u>\$114.00</u>

The Principal of Fund, \$1,900 is invested as follows:—

W H. Burnap, Mortgage, New York City 6 per cent, due June 30, 1912 .....	<u>\$1,900.00</u>
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*Sarah Bennett Fund.*

Income received during year.....	<u>\$290.70</u>
Paid Merchandise Department.....	<u>\$290.70</u>

Principal of Fund, \$5,000 is invested as follows:—

Adolph Fischl Mortgage, 5 per cent, due April 2, 1910 .....	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Thos. P. and A. Ryan, Mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent, due March 15, 1913 .....	<u>3,000.00</u>
Alex. D. Duff, Mortgage, New York City, 5½ per cent due July 14, 1911 .....	<u>400.00</u>
Cash on hand awaiting investment .....	<u>600.00</u>
	<u><u>\$5,000.00</u></u>

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*General Fund.*

Invested in Alex. D. Duff, Mortgage, 5½ per cent, due July 14, 1911	<u><u>\$2,600.00</u></u>
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*Income Fund.*

Temporarily invested in Alex. D. Duff, Mortgage, due March 15, 1913 .....	<u><u>\$1,360.30</u></u>
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*Principal Account.*

DR.	
H. F. O'Neill, Mortgage .....	\$2,000.00
August Diedrick, Mortgage .....	3,600.00
Reinhard Hall, Mortgage .....	2,000.00

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\$7,600.00

CR.	
W. H. Burnap, Mortgage .....	\$1,000.00
Thos. P. and A. Ryan, Mortgage .....	5,000.00
Cash on hand awaiting investment .....	1,600.00

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\$7,600.00

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*Fifty Thousand Dollar Fund.*

Amount placed to the credit of this Fund to April 1, 1908 ..... \$43,953.93

EDWARD SHERER, } Auditing  
JOHN F. SEEKAMP, } Committee.

It should be understood that the amounts heretofore placed to the credit of the "Fifty Thousand Dollar Fund" have all been expended. It is deemed inexpedient, however, to close the account on our books by reason of certain contingent subscriptions thereto.

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*MANAGER'S STATEMENT.**General Receipts and Expenditures, from April 1, 1909 to April 1, 1910.*

DR.	
Cash on hand, April 1, 1909 .....	\$1,047.65
From Treasurer from Investments .....	536.60
From Treasurer, being return of balance due Merchandise Department on April 1, 1909 .....	642.34
Net amount in cash realized from Merchandise Sales .....	1,064.46
Astor Trust Co., Interest on balance .....	23.50

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\$3,314.55

CR.	
The American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, for services rendered by them, from April 1, 1909 to April 1, 1910 ..	\$333.33
Net amount paid in cash for Merchandise Purchases .....	687.75
Cash Expenses .....	334.32
Cash on hand and in Bank, April 1, 1910 .....	1,959.15

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\$3,314.55

## MERCHANTISE STATEMENT.

## DR.

To Merchandise, as per Inventory, April 1, 1909 .....	\$2,633.54
Books and Merchandise, purchased April 1, 1909, to April 1, 1910 .....	1,452.55
The American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, for services rendered by them from April 1, 1909 to April 1, 1910.....	333.33
<b>Expenses:—</b>	
Insurance .....	\$36.50
Postage Stamps .....	85.86
Publication of Report of 1909 .....	5.00
Advertising .....	87.50
Stationery .....	24.00
Express, Freight and Cartage .....	20.47
Typewriting .....	17.27
Supplies and Sundries .....	56.27
Bank Collection Fees .....	.70
Car fares.....	.85
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Surplus for the year .....	334.42
	628.27
	<u><u>\$5,382.11</u></u>

## CR.

By income from Investments .....	\$1,061.06
Merchandise Sales, April 1, 1909 to April 1, 1910.....	1,424.68
Merchandise, on hand as per Inventory, April 1, 1910.	2,896.37
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	<u><u>\$5,382.11</u></u>

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

## DR.

Cash on hand, April 1, 1910 .....	\$1,959.15
Merchandise as per Inventory .....	2,896.37
Stereotyped and Engraved Plates at Cost .....	4,046.49
Accounts Receivable .....	238.54
Due from Treasurer .....	524.46
Account of Dr. C. E. Prentiss .....	647.96
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	<u><u>\$10,312.97</u></u>

C.R.	
Accounts Payable .....	\$617.64
Net Assets Ledger Balance .....	9,695.33
	<u>\$10,312.97</u>

I have examined the Cash Account of the Manager and find same to be correct.

EDWARD SHERER, *Auditor.*

At the beginning of the present year the Executive Board of the Board of Publication had an analysis made of its past business with a view to determining in what measure its trading profits come from sales of its own publications or sales of books of other houses. This analysis went to show that the profits came about equally from both sources. The policy of the Board therefore has not been changed in any essential respect in its trading accounts, but a serious effort has been made to make a start of developing the publication end of the Board's work. One small brochure (1,000 copies of Julian Hawthorne's "Lovers in Heaven") has been issued quite successfully, as the sale of this has been good. One volume of the writings of Rev. Adolph Roeder, namely, a collection of stories for children and adults under the title "Symbol Stories" has also been published. Some delay was experienced in getting this from the hands of the printer, so we were unable to do as large a Christmas trade as was expected; but the book will move readily as a constant seller.

The Board's publications for the year total as follows: —

- 1000 Lovers in Heaven.
- 1000 Symbol Stories.
- 100 Bible Series, No. 2.
- 114 Bible Series, No. 3.
- 99 Doctrinal Series, No. 3.
- 106 Doctrinal Series, No. 4.
- 30 The Soul.
- 100 Hosannas, Bound.
- 500 New Hosannas, Printed.
- 100 New Hosannas, Bound.
- 24 Volumes Potts' Concordance.

The publication of the *Magnificat* being in the hands of a special committee of the Convention, is not dealt with specifically here. Early in the year, the Board appointed the Rev. Charles W. Harvey, Secretary of the Convention Committee, as agent for the Board to act for it in the publication of this volume and have granted to that committee all necessary authority to proceed with the work in accordance with the resolution of the Convention.

Considerable success has been met with in reducing our surplus stock of collateral books, and the sales for the year have been very satisfactory, and partaking of a more general character than for some time.

The same very satisfactory arrangement has been continued by which this Board is a tenant of the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, and Mr. J. B. McGeorge, the agent of that society, has very faithfully and efficiently simultaneously acted as manager for us.

Believing that the periodical interests of the Convention were properly also to some extent a responsibility of this Board, and in view of the general and quite widespread desire for some improvement in the Convention issues of the *Messenger* which the editor of that sheet is contemplating, the Executive Committee of this Board has voted to appropriate \$250 toward the extra expense incidental to the getting out of these three Convention issues providing a programme of contents satisfactory to this Board is adopted.

Very serious effort has been made during the year to bring under one roof our stock of plates. These are now located in Boston, New York, and Philadelphia. No final agreement has yet been made with a publisher, but it is expected that will be accomplished within a very brief period.

All of which we trust will meet with the approval of the Convention.

EDWARD PAYSON CALL, *President.*

ADOLPH ROEDER, *Secretary.*

**NO. II.—REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NEW-CHURCH  
BUILDING FUND.**

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem  
in the United States of America:—*

THE Trustees report, in addition to the following statement by the Treasurer, that during the year they have loaned to the Portland, Maine, New-Church Society, the sum of one thousand dollars to aid in the erection of their Sunday-school building. This is being used for church services also until their church building is erected.

The Trustees have agreed to lend to the Paterson, N. J., New-Church Society the sum of two thousand dollars, or about that amount, but the papers have not been completed. \*

Balance of cash in bank, May 10, 1909.....	\$2,985.57
Amount of interest added .....	88.44
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Total cash to account for .....	\$3,074.01
Out of this we have loaned to the Portland Society .	1,000.00
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Making the balance at this time, April 2, 1910 .	\$2,074.01
The investments stand the same as at the last report, to wit:—	
San Diego Society .....	\$1,500.00
Preston Society .....	1,200.00
Fishing Creek Valley Society .....	175.00
Portland Society now added to the investments ....	1,000.00
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	3,875.00
Making the total amount of assets .....	<u>\$5,949.01</u>

The terms of Messrs. William N. Hobart and Franklin O. Whitney, two of the Trustees, expire; the Convention is asked to fill the vacancies by electing two Trustees to serve for three years.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

**Wm. McGEORGE, JR., Chairman.**

\* The sum of \$2,200 was subsequently loaned, and proper papers passed.

**NO. 12. — REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL CHURCH AT WASHINGTON, D. C.**

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem  
in the United States of America: —*

THE Trustees, in making their report for the year 1909-10, report first, as being the matter in which the Church at large is most interested, that the Missionary Work at the National Capital, which was desired and expected when this church was erected, has been faithfully looked after and provided for by its earnest Pastor, Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., who succeeded in making up the following course: —

Jan. 2. Rev. Thos. A. King, of Cleveland, Ohio: "The Word of God; How Given and How to be Interpreted."

Jan. 9. Rev. Thos. A. King, of Cleveland, Ohio: "The New Age and the Second Coming of the Lord."

Jan. 16. Rev. John Goddard, Newtonville, Mass.: "Swedenborg's Mission to Christianity as Seer and Prophet."

Jan. 23. Rev. Henry Clinton Hay, Boston, Mass.: "Swedenborg on The Subconscious Mind, its Functions and Forces."

Jan. 30. Rev. Thomas French, Jr., Ph. D., Buffalo, N. Y.: "Swedenborg and Mind Healing."

Feb. 6. Rev. Thomas French, Jr., Ph. D., Buffalo, N. Y.: "Swedenborg on God in Nature Without Pantheism."

Feb. 13. Sunday 1 in Lent — Rev. George H. Dole, Wilmington, Del.: "The Language and the Voice of God; How the Infinite speaks to the Finite."

Feb. 20. Rev. George H. Dole, Wilmington, Del.: "The Spiritual Sense of the Bible."

Feb. 27. Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D.: "Theosophy and Religion."

March 6. Rev. Paul Sperry, Brockton, Mass.: "The Conservative Character and Mission of Swedenborg's Theology."

March 13. Rev. Julian K. Smyth, New York City: "Swedenborgianism; a Re-assertion of the Apostolic Faith for Modern Times."

March 20. Palm Sunday — Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D.: "A Doctrine of Redemption to Succeed Calvinism."

March 27. Easter Sunday — Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D.: "How Jesus Conquered: and How He Reigns To-day."

Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D. also gave a course of five lectures earlier in the season, as follows: —

Nov. 28. The Seer and The Vision. The Explorer's Account.

Dec. 5. Man's Short Voyage Thither and the Pleasant Arrival.  
The First States After Death.

Dec. 12. Man's "Coming to His Own." The Judgment in the Intermediate World of Spirits.

Dec. 19. The Geography of the Spiritual World. Its Great Divisions.

Dec. 26. Some of the Laws of Heavenly Government and of Its Perfected Civilization. The City of God.

It will thus be seen that many of the ablest men of the Church have aided in this Missionary Work. In addition to performing this National use most of them helped the English Society in Baltimore, Md., which was without a Pastor, by preaching there in the morning and lecturing at Washington in the evening.

The Course is said to have been very successful and useful, and was provided for without expense to the Society or Convention, out of a Trust Fund administered by the Chairman of the Board.

Reference has frequently been made to a defect in the acoustic properties of the church, and much thought and effort have been expended in trying to remedy this defect. A sounding board was installed, which certainly gave better hearing in most parts of the auditorium, but later an inventor thought he could improve matters by stretching a net-work of silk threads as a ceiling in the church. The effort was unsuccessful, as no one could discover any improvement; and consequently the device was removed this spring, and the sounding board restored. This experiment, however, was without expense to the Society or Trustees.

The Pastor and the Society have done all that they can do to have this National enterprise perform the uses intended, and both are entitled to the gratitude of the General Church for their earnest efforts, faithfully persisted in, in spite of many discouragements. But there is one thing that has been so frequently referred to, without as yet producing any tangible results, that it might seem unnecessary to refer to it further, but for the fact that a sense of justice to the Washington people requires that something should be said, and said in such a way as to compel attention and prompt action. A brief history will perhaps enable the Church at large to understand the situation and realize its duty and obligation.

When the former church edifice at Washington was burned down, the Society made shift for a time by holding its services in rented halls until such time as it could raise sufficient funds to build a church suitable for its needs. While the subject was under discussion a New England minister, who had been preaching for the Washington Society, brought the matter up in Convention and pointed out what was perfectly true, that it would be a good missionary enterprise to erect in Washington a National Church which in stability of construction and beauty of design would in some degree comport with, and fitly represent the eternal duration of the Church, the crown of all the Churches, and the beauty and loveliness of its heavenly doctrines to be therein taught.

After careful deliberation the Convention determined to erect such a National structure, and appointed a Committee to devise plans and provide for its erection. This Committee purchased the ground, made the plans, and assumed the whole responsibility, building according to its ideas of what was suitable and proper for a National Church, and the General Convention formally ratified and approved of the plans, and all that its Committee had done. Of course it was always intended to provide for the needs of the Washington Society. As a matter of fact that Society and its members contributed the greater part of the total cost, and indeed raised a sum that would have been more than sufficient to provide for its local needs. The original plans contemplated not only the present beautiful and substantial church edifice, but also the necessary Sunday-school and parish buildings. The church only was completed, and from 1889, when the old church was burned down, until 1896, the Washington Society, which had contributed so much, during all the time the Committee was forming its plans, raising its money and building the church, was compelled also to pay rent hire for a hall, and for fourteen years have had no suitable place in which to conduct a Sunday-school, and no place at all in which to hold its social meetings and conduct its parish work. Besides this, during all these years it has been compelled to pay taxes on the unused ground on which the Sunday-school and parish building were to have been erected.

To the writer it seems that this state of affairs imposes on the Church at large a binding obligation to exert itself to the utmost to carry out its contract with the Washington Society. That Society,

however, has not supinely folded its hands and waited for others to supply its needs, even if those others are under legal and moral obligations to do so, but they have been constantly bestirring themselves, and considering the difficulties under which they labor, their comparatively small numbers, and other conditions, they have done surprisingly well. Mr. H. W. Guernsey, one of the Trustees, has contributed \$100; Miss Ida W. Hunt, by a lecture telling of her trip around the world, under the auspices of the Young-People's Association, has added \$20.25 more, and altogether they have \$3,914.35 in bank, with promise of at least \$1,000 more when the building has begun. The Treasurer of Convention reported last year that he had a fund of \$1,661.53 for the Sunday-school building, and it seems that if an earnest and concerted effort were made this task which the Convention has undertaken might be completed, and it is hoped that some one who hears this report, or who should read it, might be induced to help. The writer especially appeals to the men of the Church to complete this work, for thus far it has been done almost entirely by devoted women.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. McGEORGE, JR., *President.*

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No. 13.—REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PENSION FUND.

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem  
in the United States of America:—*

LAST year the Report of the Trustees mentioned two facts that seem to have had a paralyzing effect on a large number of our societies, including some of our largest ones, preventing them from carrying out the suggestion of the General Convention, that each Society, at Thanksgiving or some other suitable time, should take up, at least once in each year, a collection for the benefit of this Fund, in order that the Trustees might at all times be ready and able to respond to any and every proper call made upon them. One was the munificent bequest of the late Miss Eliza O. Ropes, and the other was that the

Fund was providing only for the necessities of the Rev. Gustave Reiche, its first pensioner, whose terrible sufferings and necessities aroused the Church to its imperative duty of providing such a Fund. It seemed as if the income of the invested funds would be more than sufficient to meet any demands upon it, and that therefore there was no immediate need for the collections recommended by the Convention.

It was entirely overlooked that these annual collections were intended, not only to provide means for paying out the monthly pensions, but also to increase the principal of the Fund to such a size that, lacking the annual contributions from the societies, the income from the invested funds should be sufficient to meet all worthy claims. It was pointed out, however, in that and previous reports, that it was known that there were others who should be helped, and one case is constantly in mind, where an octogenarian missionary minister, who has become incapacitated, and has had no income for years, is denying himself, and is using up his little savings rather than ask for help which the Church owes him. It is known that these savings have been almost entirely exhausted, and it is a question whether the Board should not take the initiative and insist that it be privileged to provide for the necessities of this deserving case.

It had been pointed out also that the Board had been compelled by the complete paralysis of Mr. Reiche, and the illness of his wife, to increase its help in that case, but this perhaps had been overlooked. As a matter of fact our beloved old pensioner had become so helpless, and his devoted wife had so completely worn herself out, that it became imperative to provide a nurse and to incur doctor's bills. Then we received word from strangers that another of our old missionary ministers was paralyzed and dying, and the attack had been so sudden that he could make no appeal for help, and though the Board, through its Executive Committee, acted very promptly, yet our help came only after his death, and in part provided for his burial. During his sickness his home in Arkansas had been sold by the Sheriff for a comparatively small sum, and the Board was able to redeem that for his widow and young daughter. Then it became necessary to provide for another old minister who had become blind, and whose wife was utterly incapacitated by a most severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Then the whole Church was grieved to hear that the Rev. Louis H. Tafel, who had done such valuable and important work for the Church, had unexpectedly died, leaving a widow and eleven children, the youngest less than two years old. He preached for a little Society which could afford to pay only a small salary, and he had eked out the support of his large family by his literary work, and had been doing that in his bed, when he should have been nursing himself, and winning back his health and strength. Here again no help was asked, although we knew it was sorely needed, and it was a great joy to the Board that they were able to step in immediately and do something, although not as much as they would like to have done, and they know that every one who has contributed in any way to this Fund will rejoice with them that they were thus able to pay in small part the sacred debt the Church owes to this great scholar for his invaluable work.

Then word was sent by a minister of the Church to the Trustees that the widow of a minister who had died many years ago, and who had uncomplainingly worked to support herself, was in need, and moreover was further burdened by the necessity of supporting a young orphan grandchild.

Thus the great necessity for such a Fund has been fully demonstrated, and it is hoped that the Church will take heed, and will not fail in future to comply with the recommendation of Convention.

Some of the proceeds of collections had been invested before any warning of these imperative needs had reached the Board, and consequently, as is shown by the appended statement of the Treasurer, there is only about \$200 available to meet monthly payments of \$115.15 each, and no income will be receivable from the mortgages until January 1st next, for while they pay the exceedingly good rate of six per cent per annum, the interest is paid only once a year. If the churches should wait till next Thanksgiving to take up a collection, there would be nothing to pay the pensions, and it is therefore earnestly hoped that those Societies which did not take up a collection last fall, knowing of our great need, will be able to help us as another large Society recently did. Having provided for a number of collections for other purposes in the late fall and early part of the year, it had fixed the last Sunday in March as the time for taking up this particular collection, and being reminded by its Pastor of the pressing needs of the Board, it responded with a very generous contribution.

If the several societies could see their way clear to do this, the Board could not only meet all its monthly payments, but could, perhaps, advance the sum of Fifty Dollars to the widow in Arkansas referred to above, to enable her to make such repairs as will render her home habitable. If anything was left over it could be added to the permanent Fund, which should grow from year to year in order that the Board should be enabled to meet, not only the immediate and pressing demands upon the Fund, but should be in position to respond to other demands which will doubtless soon be made upon them.

The statement of the Treasurer follows:—

*Receipts.*

1909.

May 1.	Balance .....	\$16,057.25
" 21.	Mrs. S. M. Cate .....	3.00
June 2	W. Paterson .....	2.25
" "	Sara A. Warrell.....	2.75
Aug. 24.	Legacy from Estate of Wm. Mautz .....	150.00
" 26.	Interest on Eliza O. Ropes legacy, from time of her death to April 13, 1908 .....	632.29
Nov. 26.	St. Paul Society.....	10.30
" 29.	Englewood, Chicago .....	10.73
" "	Pawnee Rock Association .....	6.00
Dec. 1.	Indianapolis, Indiana .....	5.00
" 6.	Baltimore North West Mission .....	5.00
" "	Toledo, Ohio, Society .....	3.25
" 13.	Allegheny, Pa., Society .....	14.65
" 18.	Brockton, Mass., Society .....	13.15
" 21.	San Diego, Cal., Society .....	.85
" 23.	Humboldt Park, Chicago .....	6.00
" 24.	Washington, D. C. .....	24.55
" "	Kenwood Parish, Chicago .....	33.49

1910.

Jan. 3.	Frankford Society, Philadelphia.....	27.60
Mar. 7.	Brooklyn Society .....	13.29
" 26.	Abington Society .....	2.00
" 29.	Philadelphia Society .....	168.32
" 30.	Thos. Baxindine, Haddonfield, N. J.	5.00
" 31.	Donation from a minister in New Jersey ...	50.00
Apr. 8.	Philadelphia Society .....	1.00
" 11.	Hugh Ormiston .....	2.00

*Amount carried forward .....*

**\$17,249.72**

	<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	<b>\$17,249.72</b>
Apr. 12.	Miss Lucy A. Buckingham .....	10.00
" "	Mrs. Mary W. Early .....	1.00
" 14.	A. H. Childs .....	50.00
" 15.	Miss Ida B. Ross .....	5.00
" "	C. A. Lundgren .....	1.00
" "	Jefferson, Wis., Society.....	40.00
" 25.	Mrs. L. E. Tritis .....	1.00
" "	Emily F. Carnes .....	5.00
" "	Samuel S. Wilcox .....	5.00
" "	Miss Mary Puffer .....	1.00
" "	T. C. Thatcher .....	25.00
" "	Miss S. A. Warrell .....	5.00
" 30.	Portland, Me., Society.....	3.75
" "	Dr. Anna C. Grigsby .....	25.00
		<b>_____</b>
		<b>\$17,427.47</b>
	<i>Investments.</i>	
	J. A. Scroggins Mortgage .....	\$5,000.00
	John E. Roller Mortgage .....	12,000.00
		<b>_____</b>
		<b>17,000.00</b>
	<i>Uninvested balance, May 1, 1910 ..</i>	<b><u>\$427.47</u></b>
		<b>_____</b>

**INCOME AND EXPENSE.**

1909.

May 1.	Balance on hand .....	\$115.55
	Interest J. A. Scroggins mortgage .....	300.00
	Interest John Roller mortgage .....	720.00
		<b>_____</b>
		<b>\$1,135.55</b>

*Expenditures.*

1909.

May 12.	Rev. Gustave Reiche (Ex. M. O. 15) .....	\$35.15
June 2.	Rev. John M. McSlarrow .....	50.00
" 4.	Rev. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15
July 2.	Rev. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15
" 2.	Insurance to Jan. 28, 1910, on life of Gustave Reiche. (German Mutual Insurance Com- pany).....	30.70
" 17.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00
Aug. 2.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00
Aug. 7.	Rev. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15
Sept. 13.	Mrs. McSlarrow.....	150.00
		<b>_____</b>

<i>Amounts carried forward .....</i>	<b>\$421.30</b>	<b>\$1,135.55</b>
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	<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	\$421.30	\$1,135.55
Sept. 13.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
" 13.	Rev. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15	
" 30.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
Oct. 9.	Rev. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15	
" 29.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
" 29.	Mrs. McSlarrow, travelling expenses of her- self and daughter to Arkansas .....	40.00	
Nov. 12.	Rev. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15	
" 29.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
Dec. 13.	Rev. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15	
" 15.	Insurance on life of Rev. Gustave Reiche to Jan. 28, 1911 (German Mutual Insurance Company) .....	60.19	
" 28.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
1910.			
Jan. 1.	Mrs. Anna L. Tafel .....	40.00	
" 12.	Rev. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15	
" 29.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
Feb. 1.	Mrs. Anna L. Tafel .....	40.00	
" 12.	Mrs. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15	
" 28.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
" 28.	Mrs. Anna L. Tafel .....	40.00	
Mar. 5.	Mrs. F. W. Faber .....	15.00	
" 14.	Mrs. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15	
" 28.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
Apr. 1.	Mrs. Gustave Reiche .....	25.00	
" "	Cost of telegraphing to Mrs. Reiche .....	1.00	
" "	Mimeographing letters .....	3.15	
" "	Mrs. Anna L. Tafel .....	40.00	
" "	Mrs. F. W. Faber .....	15.00	
" 12.	Mrs. Gustave Reiche .....	35.15	
" 29.	Rev. J. M. Washburn .....	25.00	
		1,246.84	
	Overdraft May 1, 1910. ....		\$111.29

It will be seen from this statement that the Pension Fund now has an invested capital of \$17,000, providing an annual income of \$1,020, but the Board will have to pay out in monthly pensions about \$800 before the Thanksgiving collections can be taken up, and in any event must provide for total pensions, according to existing conditions, of \$1,381.80 per annum. Our collections should not be less than \$500 or \$600 a year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. McGEORGE, JR., *President.*

WM. L. WORCESTER, *Secretary.*

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**NO. 14.—REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ORPHAN FUND.**

At the Convention held in Brockton in 1909, Rev. James Reed and Mr. Wm. McGeorge, Jr., were elected to succeed themselves as members of this Board. The terms of Rev. Julian K. Smyth and Job Barnard expire at this time, and their successors should be elected by the Convention.

The report of the Treasurer will state the financial condition of the Board.

JAMES REED, *Chairman.*

JOB BARNARD, *Secretary.*

No. 15.—REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SWEDENBORG  
MEMORIAL FUND.

THE present status of the Fund is shown in the following statement of the Treasurer:—

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

	DR.	CR.
1910.		
May 1. To Investments .....	\$6,116.25	
Uninvested Balance .....	1,698.05	
1909.		
May 1. Balance .....	<b>\$7,445.15</b>	
Proceeds of gold dollar, rec'd March 19, 1909	6.00	
No. Texas Traction Co. Coupons .....	100.00	
United Electric Security Coupons .....	50.00	
New York Central R. R. Coupons .....	50.00	
Pennsylvania & Mahoning Valley R. R. Coupons .....	150.00	
Interest on uninvested balance, May 1, 1909, \$328.90 .....	13.15	
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	\$7,814.30	\$7,814.30

The Trustees would recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:—

*Resolved*, That in view of what seems the auspicious moment for the New Church at large to testify to its appreciation of the Message of Swedenborg by the side of the distinguished national and academic honors being paid to his science and philosophy, the Convention urges upon the favorably disposed members of the New Church in America to increase by prompt and liberal subscriptions, the Fund now in hand, and amounting to about \$8,000 to what shall be considered *one-half* the amount required (outside of the property and funds held by the Swedish New-Church Congregation) for erecting the suitable Memorial Building to be devoted to the Public Worship, and other religious uses of the New Church according to the Doctrines contained in the theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg; and that the Trustees of the Memorial Fund be authorized by the Convention to lay before the Conference of the New Church in England a request for its co-operation by procuring the other half of the requisite Fund.

(Signed) FRANK SEWALL, *Chairman.*

JAMES RICHARD CARTER, *Treasurer.*

GIDEON BOERICKE.

*Trustees.*

## No. 16.—REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE OF THE RICE LEGACY.

BENJ. PETTEE, TRUSTEE, *in account with the RICE LEGACY.*

## DR.

1909.

May 1.	Cash on hand .....	\$842.53
1909-10.	Dividends on Pullman Palace Car Co. Stock	120.00
	Dividends on Pennsylvania R. R. Stock ...	39.75
	Dividends on Waltham Watch Co. ....	153.00
	Dividends American Tel. & Tel. Co. Stock .	60.00
	Dividends on Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. Stock .....	110.00
	Rights on Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. Stock .....	25.71
	Interest on Interboro Rapid Transit Co. Notes to June 28, 1909 .....	158.00
	Interest on Convertible Title Insurance Co. Mortgage Receipts (2 years) .....	90.00
	Interest on Southern Pacific Convertible Bonds .....	136.89
	Interest on deposits .....	2.49
	Received for \$4,000 on Notes, Interboro Rapid Transit Co. ....	4,145.00
	Received for \$1,000 Southern Pacific Con- vertible Bond, \$1,025 less commission \$1.25 .....	1,023.75
		<u>\$6,907.12</u>

## CR.

1908-09.	Paid for books for Theol. School Library ..	\$67.83
	Paid for binding for Theol. School Library	238.44
	Paid for cards, labels, etc., for Theol. School Library .....	18.60
	Paid for work on Catalogue and arranging books for the same .....	142.44
	Paid for shelving .....	65.00
	Paid for <i>Reviews</i> placed in libraries .....	50.00
	Paid for <i>Reviews</i> and <i>Messengers</i> for Put- nams .....	15.00
	<i>Amount carried forward</i> .....	<u>\$597.31</u>

<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	<b>\$597.31</b>
Paid for books sent G. M. Haines of Inverness, N. S. ....	10.05
Paid for Swedenborg Concordance for Rev. J. Paul Dresser .....	24.00
Paid for rent of box in safety deposit vault ..	10.00
Paid for books, plates, and postage stamps..	3.50
Paid for \$5,000 in Southern Pacific, 490 Convertible Bonds.....	5,128.75
Paid for 3 shares Penn. R. R. Stock and 2 rights .....	159.13
Paid for 2 shares Waltham Watch Co. and 4 rights .....	210.62
Balance on hand .....	763.76
	<b><u>\$6,907.12</u></b>

## PROPERTY OF RICE LEGACY.

22 shares Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. Stock.  
 16 shares Preferred and 23 shares Common, Waltham Watch Co. Stock.  
 15 shares Pullman Palace Car Co. Stock.  
 13 shares Pennsylvania R. R. Co. Stock.  
 10 shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Stock.  
 6 shares Rutland R. R. Co. Stock.  
 \$4,000 Southern Pacific Convertible 4% bonds.  
 \$1,000 Mortgage Receipt of Convertible Title Insurance Co.

E. & O. E., April 1, 1910.

BENJ. PETTKE, *Trustee*

Examined and found correct.

JAMES REED.  
 H. CLINTON HAY.

## No. 17.—REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ROTCH LEGACY.

1909.		1909-1910.	
May 1.	Balance on hand .....		\$2,371.70
<i>Receipts.</i>			
	Johnson & Feneno, interest .....	\$200.00	
	Higgins & Scarr, interest .....	200.00	
	Moses Clark, Jr., principal .....	800.00	
	Moses Clark, Jr., interest .....	124.83	
	William B. Libby, principal .....	138.75	
	William B. Libby, interest .....	60.00	
	Sale of Plates.....	350.00	
	Sale of Books .....	382.15	
	Contributions for publication and distribution of the "Great Thinker" .....	552.00	
	Interest on bank balances .....	55.43	
			<u>2,863.16</u>
	Total .....		<u>\$5,234.86</u>
<i>Payments.</i>			
	For investment .....	\$2,000.00	
	Storage .....	16.20	
	Insurance .....	57.39	
	Publishing and mailing "Great Thinkers" .....	973.75	
	Commentary on Psalms.....	600.00	
	John Whitehead, services .....	40.00	
	Massachusetts New-Church Union .....	23.27	
	Miscellaneous .....	2.10	
			<u>\$3,712.71</u>
1910.	May 1.	Cash on hand .....	<u>1,522.15</u>
		Total .....	<u>\$5,234.86</u>
<i>Property on Hand.</i>			
	Cash .....	\$1,522.15	
	Mortgage, Daley & Wanzer.....	2,000.00	
	"    Moses Clark, Jr. .....	2,000.00	
	"    Johnson & Feneno .....	4,000.00	
	"    Higgins & Scarr .....	4,000.00	
	"    W. B. Libby .....	861.25	
			<u>\$14,383.40</u>
	Book plates and books on hand, cost .....		<u>53,889.35</u>
	Total .....		<u>\$68,272.75</u>

## STATEMENT OF THE ROTCH TRUSTEES.

Mrs. Lydia Scott Rotch, a member of the Boston Society of the New Jerusalem, was the wife of William Rotch, Jr., of New Bedford, Massachusetts. After the death of her husband she resided in Boston, and died July 18, 1863, at the age of eighty years. She was a woman of much intelligence and of great benevolence, and highly esteemed by all who knew her. For many years previous to her death Mrs. Rotch was blind. She was a most cordial receiver of the doctrine contained in the Theological works of Emanuel Swedenborg. While she was able to do so, it was her chief pleasure to read these works; and after she was blind, it was her daily habit to listen to them from the lips of others.

By her Will she bequeathed to John Hibbard Wilkins, Sampson Reed, Peleg Whitman Chandler and Theophilus Parsons, the sum of \$15,000 to them and their successors in trust to be used and applied at their joint discretion for the benefit of the General Convention of the receivers of the doctrines of the New Jerusalem in the United States, with full power and with instructions to supply by appointment and joint selection any vacancy which may at any time during the existence or continuance of this Trust arise from inability, death or resignation of any one or more of the above named Trustees. Mr. Wilkins having deceased previous to the testator, the Trust devolved on the three surviving Trustees. The exact meaning of the phraseology of the Trust was construed by the Supreme Court of Massachusetts to mean that the Trustees and their successors shall jointly have in and over the trust premises, both principal and interest accruing, full discretionary power as to time, amount and mode of expenditure in using and applying the same for any object or objects, whether directly sanctioned by the *cestui que trust* or not, which shall and will be for the benefit and substantial advantage of the *cestui que trust* in its corporate capacity without in any way injuriously affecting the pecuniary interests or the legal rights of the respondent corporation. On the other hand the corporation has no right to dictate how the trust premises shall be used, so long as they are actually employed for its substantial advantage as a corporate body and in no manner to its detriment.

Working under that power for twenty-five years the results in 1888 were, received on account of income, \$32,471.69. The amount

expended during that period was \$22,357.48. The expenditures chiefly were, \$4,300 toward the support of the *New Jerusalem Magazine*, \$1,200 for publishing a "Book for the Blind," \$10,000 for translating and making plates for the Rotch Edition of Swedenborg's works, and, \$2,600 for the photo-lithographing of the Manuscripts of Swedenborg. The "Book for the Blind," of which 500 copies were printed, contains Extracts from Swedenborg, together with a short Sketch of his Life. This has been distributed free of cost to the recipients. Commentaries on Matthew and John have been published and are in print.

Francis Alexander Dewson was appointed an additional Trustee in 1880. In 1888 Mr. Peleg Whitman Chandler resigned and Messrs. Albert Mason, Horace Parker Chandler and Charles Montgomery Reed were appointed to serve with Mr. Dewson. Upon the resignation of Mr. Reed and the death of Messrs. Mason and Dewson, Warren Goddard and James Everett Young were appointed to fill their places; and the Trustees now consist of Horace Parker Chandler, Warren Goddard and James Everett Young.

By this report it can be seen that since its foundation the Trust has expended the sum of \$53,889.35, and it has on hand a balance of \$14,383.40, making a total of \$68,272.75. A Complete Edition of the Theological works published by Swedenborg has been put on the market in three styles of binding, one *Edition de Luxe* in eleven volumes, one in thirty-three volumes bound in half morocco, and, one in thirty-three volumes bound in buckram. Plates have been made for these and they are available at any time. The new "Book for the Blind," which has been in contemplation for some time is being prepared, and it is hoped it will have been issued before the next Report. A "Commentary on the Psalms" is in press, and will soon be ready.

HORACE PARKER CHANDLER,  
WARREN GODDARD,  
JAMES EVERETT YOUNG,  
*Trustees.*

## No. 18.—REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE MESSENGER.

THE past year has been uneventful as regards the material status of the *Messenger*. The paper has been published in the usual form, and the publisher has been able to keep the receipts and expenditures in balance or fair equilibrium. And while it is good business to preserve this state as far as possible, I believe the *Messenger* should be made to fill its place of usefulness to the Church without being too closely restricted to financial considerations. While I have not felt as free to observe this principle as I perhaps ought to, I have still been able to add several pages to the size of the paper on several occasions when circumstances seemed to demand it. The last two issues illustrate what I mean. That of May 11 contains eight pages more than usual, counting the cover, and the current issue (for May 18) twelve extra pages — both numbers being illustrated. The former of these numbers was meant more especially to increase the interest of the Church in the present meeting of Convention and to help make the meeting more useful, while the second is designed as a Missionary Number which people can hand to their friends as an exposition of some of the distinctive teachings of the New Church, and the beauties of its doctrines. It is addressed more especially to those outside the Church, while the preceding issue aimed to have more of an inspirational character for the people within the Church. While both these numbers are defective in many particulars, they will still serve to indicate in some degree the use which the *Messenger* may be made to fill if the means can be provided; and this is the reason for making special mention of them in this place. It may be said that to enable the editor to thus increase the usefulness of the *Messenger* in connection with this meeting of Convention, and make a worthy report of the proceedings and indicate the spirit of the gathering he was notified by the Board of Publication that a sum not exceeding \$250 would be placed at his disposal for the purpose. If there is any merit in these special publications much of the credit is due to Mr. R. A. Shaw, and the committee of the Literary Bureau of which he is Chairman, and also to Mrs. Alice Thacher Post, who rendered the editor much practical assistance.

The business end of the *Messenger*, however, is not the most difficult to direct and control. There are so many different points of view to the principles of the New Church, and so many forms of

mind, that to treat all classes fairly, and still preserve the high standard which the Divine principles of the Church demand in an organ of this kind, is a most difficult task. The only resource for the editor in this case is to look to the all-wise Father and then use the best judgment given him, seeking to make the paper of the best possible service to the Church. In doing his work, no matter how wisely, the editor is sure to create some dissatisfaction. But there is much to encourage him, in the expressions of gratitude he receives, and in knowing that he is engaged in one of the highest uses that can be performed among men.

The *Messenger* is dependent for its usefulness and success upon the people of the Church, whose paper it is. As a medium of the best thought of the Church, it depends upon those who do the best thinking. Those who have talent and ability in this direction should contribute of that talent and ability.

Some of the Societies — notably those at Brockton and Philadelphia — have shown great interest in the *Messenger*, and have made an effort to promote its circulation among the membership. The Brockton Society pays for a dozen copies, to be sent to some of the members who would otherwise not be able to get it. The Young-People's League subscribes for two copies, and even the children of the Sunday-school have interested themselves in getting subscribers, and recently sent in some new names. The Philadelphia Society appointed a committee for the same purpose, through whose efforts the publisher was enabled to send sample copies for several weeks to all those not regular subscribers, and a few names were added to the list as a result. In Berlin, Ontario, the Young-People's League have a committee to solicit subscribers, and several names were sent in by them. If the example of these people were followed by all the Societies of the Church, the paper would greatly increase in usefulness and the intelligence and well-being of the membership would be materially promoted.

A statement of the receipts and payments is hereto appended, together with the report of the Auditor.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. SAUL.

*Receipts.*

Balance May 1, 1909 .....	\$999.11
Subscriptions .....	4,138.03
Advertisements .....	251.01
Income on Investments .....	1,527.09
Donations .....	43.00
Total .....	<u>      </u> \$6,958.24

*Expenses.*

Paper .....	\$435.09
Presswork and Mailing .....	615.20
Typesetting .....	1,076.65
Makeup, setting advertisements, etc. ....	417.40
Addressing wrappers .....	93.44
Postage (domestic) .....	97.37
Contributors .....	473.00
Office help .....	424.00
Publisher's salary and editorial help .....	2,400.00
Stamps and incidentals .....	70.51
Envelopes for mailing .....	<u>      </u> 145.08
	<u>      </u> 6,247.74
Balance, May 1, 1910 .....	\$710.50

## No. 19.—REPORT OF THE AUDITOR OF THE MESSENGER ACCOUNT.

CHICAGO, May 12, 1910.

To establish the "Receipts," as shown in this account, I have been shown satisfactory book accounts. To cover all the "Expenses," I have been shown receipts, cancelled checks, and book accounts. "The Balance, May 1, 1910," is in the Merchant's Loan and Trust Company, and the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank, both in Chicago, deposited in the name of John S. Saul.

I pronounce the statement correct.

RUDOLPH WILLIAMS, *Auditor.*

## No. 20.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

THE Committee has had an informal Conference at which it had under consideration some papers which are in its possession, or in course of preparation. Dr. J. T. Prince is especially interested in presenting the subject of distinctively spiritual education. The Rev. Mr. Dole has in preparation a paper on New-Church education which it is hoped will appear some time during the year in the *New-Church Review*. The Committee has in possession a paper by Mr. E. H. Sears which will be offered to the *New-Church Review*.

Respectfully submitted.

LEWIS F. HITE, *Chairman.*

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## No. 21.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION.

THE Committee on Transportation to the General Convention to be held in New York reports as follows:—

It has been arranged with the New England roads (not including the Eastern Steamship and Metropolitan Steamship Companies), with the Trunk Line Association (which covers practically all of the States of New York and Pennsylvania, all of New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, and including Washington, D. C.) and the Central Passenger Association (covering Ohio, Indiana, the southern peninsula of Michigan, and the southern half of Illinois, including Chicago) for the transportation of ministers, delegates and visitors to the Convention at the following reduced rates, namely, Full fare going and three-fifths of the regular fare returning, on the following conditions:

Each person should purchase a first-class ticket to New York, at the full regular fare, and secure from the ticket agent "a certificate for reduced return fare" properly filled out and signed by the ticket agent. These certificates must be secured at the point where the going ticket is bought, in order to obtain the reduced fare for return passage. Certificates are not kept at all local stations, but if a ticket agent is not supplied with certificates and through tickets to the place of meeting, he can inform the person desiring a certificate of the nearest station where it can be obtained.

To secure this reduction it has been necessary to guarantee an attendance of at least *one hundred persons holding regularly issued certificates*, and it is hoped that all will avail themselves of the certificate plan in order that the guaranteed number may be secured. *Even if a delegate or visitor does not expect to make use of the reduced fare on his return trip, he should secure a certificate with his going ticket, to help make up the requisite number.*

The certificates must be countersigned by the Assistant Secretary of the Convention, Mr. Paul H. Seymour, to whom they should be presented by delegates and others immediately on their arrival in New York, but in no event later than noon of Monday, May 23. An agent of the railroads, whose visé of certificates is necessary to validate them will be in attendance at the Convention on Saturday, May 21st and Monday, May 23d. A fee of twenty-five cents must be paid to the agent on behalf of each certificate holder; this should be handed to Mr. Seymour with the certificate.

Going tickets will be on sale on May 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21. Return tickets must be secured not later than Saturday, May 28, as certificates will not be good after that date. Certificates and return tickets secured on certificates are NOT TRANSFERABLE and the return ticket will be limited to a continuous passage to destination over the same route by which going trip was made.

This reduction will only apply in cases where the going fare is not less than seventy-five cents, and no reduced return tickets can be secured except upon certificates validated as above.

All are advised to purchase their tickets at least one-half hour before starting time of train, to give the ticket agent time to fill up the certificate properly.

Respectfully submitted.

EZRA HYDE ALDEN,  
PAUL C. HAMLIN,  
*Committee on Transportation.*

PHILADELPHIA, April 25, 1910.

## NO. 22.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INTERNATIONAL SWEDENBORG CONGRESS.

THE Committee have been in frequent correspondence with the Committee of the Swedenborg Society; they have assisted, by suggestion of topics and of writers, in the formation of the program of the Congress; and have facilitated through information and otherwise the securing of passage for a large number of the delegates and visitors from America.

The following matters of international conference and coöperation are, at the request of the Secretary of the Swedenborg Society, laid before the respective organizations in this country, with the request that the bodies named will provide for their proper several representation in the meetings for conference to be held in London on Monday the 11th of July, to wit:—

I. — The matter of the joint publication of the Theological Works for which conference is desired with the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society.

II. — The matter of the joint support of the work in the hands of Mr. A. H. Stroh, namely: *a*, of compiling and editing the Royal Swedish Academy's edition of all the Scientific Works; and *b* of phototyping the original manuscript of the Theological Works: as to which joint support and the method of it and the plan for future work, conference is desired with representatives of the Convention, and of the other bodies engaged in the support of the work in Sweden.

III. — The matter of the coöperation of the Convention and of the Conference in the support of New-Church missions in foreign countries, for which conference is desired with a duly authorized representative of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.

In view of these requests your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions as touching those subjects in which the Convention is concerned:—

I. — *Resolved*, That the President of the Convention be authorized and is requested to name one or more representatives to confer with the English brethren, as to coöperation in the support of the research and publishing work in Sweden.

II. — *Resolved*, That the Board of Home and Foreign Missions be, and is hereby authorized to name one or more representatives of the

Board to confer with the brethren in England in regard to the joint support of the work of New-Church Missions in the Continent of Europe and in Japan.

(Signed) FRANK SEWALL, *Chairman.*

JAMES REED.

CHARLES W. HARVEY, *Secretary.*

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**No. 23.—REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE INTER-CHURCH CONFERENCE ON MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.**

*To the General Convention:*—

As Representative to the Inter-Church Conference on Marriage and Divorce, I have to report that the Inter-Church Conference at a recent meeting requested the constituent churches to discontinue the organization, and to turn over its work to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. This body more recently organized is larger in its scope. Its committee on Family Life gives consideration among other matters to the subject of marriage and divorce, making it appear unnecessary to continue a special organization for this purpose. The Inter-Church Conference has ceased to exist, and the Convention will discontinue the appointment of a representative.

WILLIAM L. WORCESTER.

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**No. 24.—REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH EVIDENCE SOCIETY, FOR 1910.**

NEW YORK, May 22, 1910.

THE American New-Church Evidence Society was instituted by act of the Convention at its meeting in Boston in June, 1894. This therefore, is its Sixteenth Annual report. These reports have summarized the work of each successive year, and have from time to time indicated new ways of extending the work.

The Evidence Society was called into being, and its activity has been maintained by the sentiment that the existence of the New Church and its mission to the world, should be brought before the public and kept before the public in ways especially adapted to the public interest and demand. In view of this object, one of the first requirements is to find out as definitely as possible just what the attitude of the public mind is toward the New Church. The obvious method of ascertaining this is to look for public expressions of this attitude. Accordingly, the Evidence Society has from the first, made systematic efforts to find, collect, and record references to Swedenborg and the New Church in public print from the time of Swedenborg's entrance into public life down to the present. Although much remains to be done, this branch of the work has developed steadily. The number of persons interested and active has gradually increased to 270, and the number of references has gone up into the thousands. The work of collecting references was greatly stimulated by the newspaper accounts of the removal of Swedenborg's remains from London to Sweden. The newspaper clipping agencies were for the first time called into service, and the Convention Bureau of Information took an active part. As a result of these combined efforts, the number of references collected the past year is 157.

It appears, then, that this branch of the work has so far progressed that the Society is in a position to use its materials for their appropriate purpose, that is as a reservoir of information from which to enlighten the public mind, and to mould public opinion to a more correct apprehension of the character and mission of Swedenborg and the New Church. This has all along been regarded as the proper work of the Society, but owing to the nature of the case, and partly to certain special obstacles and difficulties, it has been temporarily subordinated to that of collecting the references needed for such use. Nevertheless, something has been done each year in this direction. It was early pointed out in the annual reports that there existed what were called "streams of influence," which determine and mould very large sections of public opinion, and that to deal successfully with such sections of opinion it was necessary to trace them to their source and there apply the correction. Instances of such "streams" were cited, and among them the "Emerson Stream," the "Maudsley Stream," and the "Coleridge Stream." The

"Maudsley Stream" has been propagated especially in medical and psycho-pathological circles, and Dr. Wm. Ireland, Dr. Ballet, Dr. Jos. Grasset are some of the more prominent critics of Swedenborg to be mentioned in this connection. The Rev. H. C. Hay and the Rev. Lewis F. Hite have done something in the *New-Church Review* to correct the influence of this group. Miss Emily B. Sugden in the same *Review* has treated the "Coleridge Stream" in an interesting and instructive manner. The whole field should be investigated from this point of view. The various streams should be identified and traced systematically throughout their course. This would enable us to correct them at their fountain heads. It is natural and for our purpose, very significant that a great many of the opinions now afloat in the public mind about Swedenborg and the New Church have been propagated by mere repetition from the early days when Sectarian prejudice was much more violent than it is now, and when the general state of the religious world was very different towards innovations. So it comes about that persons who initiated a certain line of opinion were moved by considerations, which at the present time would have little or no weight. As examples of this we may cite Dr. Leonard Woods and Dr. Enoch Pond.

A good illustration of how such early opinions may be dealt with was afforded by the Evidence Society work of the past year. There appeared in the *Westminster Review* an article by Miss Gerda B. Jacobi, entitled "Swedenborg a Genius or a Madman?" The Secretary wrote Miss Jacobi a letter objecting to the line of argument pursued by her, and to the conclusions she drew. He pointed out that the argument proceeded on the presuppositions which controlled the thought of Maudsley, Ireland, Ballet, and Grasset, that it begged the question by assuming that any one who made such professions as Swedenborg made was ipso facto subject of hallucination, and that the real question at issue is Swedenborg's competence as a witness. Attention was called to the fact, as amply demonstrated in his psychological and physiological writings, that Swedenborg was an expert psycho-pathologist, and was entirely competent to understand and to describe his own condition, and that his testimony must be accepted as that of a competent expert. Miss Jacobi wrote in reply an interesting letter, giving an account of how her interest in Swedenborg was aroused and of the studies she had made of his life and works. The two points of special interest in the letter for us are

first, her disavowal of Maudsley's authority, and second, her recognition of Swedenborg as an expert psycho-pathologist. On the first point, she says: "I have much admiration for Swedenborg's science, and decidedly do not agree with Dr. Maudsley that there is any evidence of insanity in his scientific works." On the second, she says: "It is perfectly true that Swedenborg was an expert psycho-pathologist." Now Dr. Maudsley is directly or indirectly responsible for much of the adverse opinion about Swedenborg, and especially for the opinion that he was insane. When we meet such cases, it would be in a certain measure effective to quote Dr. Jacobi's statement as fairly representative of the present attitude in professional circles towards both Dr. Maudsley and Swedenborg. It would help to remove prejudice and to promote a more correct view. The material which the Evidence Society has collected puts it in our power to set the more modern opinion against the earlier in quite a large number of cases, and this is one of the most effective ways of dealing with the situation.

When the cataloguing of the references is completed, no doubt the agencies for making use of the material will be multiplied. Dr. Jno. R. Swanton's proposal to have a Convention Bureau of Information is in the line of progress. Such a bureau would naturally command the means and the workers which the Evidence Society could not bring together, but the two could work in harmony and in mutual coöperation. In this coöperation, the whole field of Evidence Society work could be extended, so that information could be given not only about the state of opinion past and present, but where occasion arises, Swedenborg's own statements could be given either in the way of correction or for positive enlightenment on the point in question. This would call for a classified list of extracts from Swedenborg such as to meet the demand for definite statements on definite points. In this way the ideal which the Evidence Society has kept steadily in view could be worked out.

As an illustration of the kinds of impressions people have of Swedenborg, and how these impressions may be modified, we may cite the case of an eminent physician now living, who wrote in a private letter that he had Swedenborg's books and had read them off and on, but he had very little respect for Swedenborg's spiritual knowledge, and had found that Swedenborgianism averted the mind from the truth as it is in Christ. The Secretary volunteered to write this

physician a letter expressing surprise that any one should get such an impression, and went on to indicate the substance of Swedenborg's teaching. He got in reply a polite letter, expressing interest in the to him new view of Swedenborg, and also the purpose to come back to the reading of him when the pressure of his daily work became less exacting. There seemed in this case to be a distinct change of attitude, and no doubt a similar change could be brought about by the appropriate means in a great many instances.

The Secretary is glad to announce that he will attend as the duly appointed representative of the Evidence Society the approaching International Swedenborg Congress to be held in London from July 5 to 8. He hopes on that occasion to have some useful conference with representatives of the English Evidence Society, and to get from them valuable suggestions.

The Rev. Charles W. Harvey with the co-operation of our President, the Rev. H. C. Hay, made a special appeal to members of the Society for funds to defray the expenses of this trip and a generous response was made. The Theological School by granting a year's absence has made it possible for the Secretary to extend his visit abroad for a whole year. This will give a much cherished opportunity to collect references to Swedenborg, and the New Church in the French and German libraries.

Respectfully submitted.

LEWIS F. HITE, *Secretary.*

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No. 25.—REPORT OF THE LITERARY BUREAU.

By the action of the General Convention in organizing the Literary Bureau, it is the function of the Bureau "to procure the best attainable missionary material, to arrange for the publication of the same in attractive form, and to employ all commendable means for its circulation." On the appearance of the notable review of "Swedenborg and his Works," by M. W. Haseltine in the New York *Sun* of September 6 and 13, 1908, the Bureau's Committee on Publication and Distribution became interested in plans for reprinting these articles for missionary use. At first an edition of 10,000 was printed,

which we quickly put in circulation. Then an edition of 50,000 in a more attractive form was published by the Rotch Trustees, and given to the Bureau for distribution. In accordance with Minute 113 of the last Convention, appeals, accompanied by copies of this pamphlet, were sent to nearly all the New-Church addresses available, in the effort to raise money for distribution of this pamphlet to clergymen throughout the United States. The total subscriptions received from this source from June 17, 1909 to May 5, 1910, as increased by \$23.73 received from sales of the pamphlet, amounted to \$791.16. Practically all the 50,000 copies have now been distributed, the greater part of them by mail to clergymen of the Episcopal, Methodist, and Baptist denominations. One result of this distribution has been manifested in a marked increase in the demand for the gift-books for ministers, which were advertised in the pamphlet. The total expense of this distribution has amounted to \$638.91. The balance in the treasury on May 5 was \$152.25.

Last September, owing to the Earth's proximity to the planet Mars on the 18th of that month, and the unusual interest in that planet at that time, the opportunity was taken of preparing a brief newspaper article on Mars, containing several quotations from Swedenborg's "Earths in the Universe." Through the kindness of a special friend of the Literary Bureau, this article was duplicated and sent to all the Convention ministers with a request that they endeavor to secure its publication in their local newspapers. Through the coöperation of the ministers, the article was favorably received by a number of editors, and was printed in full in over twenty papers, and in part in several others, so that the matter was probably read by many thousand readers.

An excellent "Study of Swedenborg's Psychical States and Experiences," by Rev. John Whitehead, appeared in the *New-Church Review* of last July. In the thought that this article could profitably be brought to the attention of persons interested in psychical research, and physicians interested in mental disorders, 2,000 reprints were struck off, and about 1,800 of them were sent by mail to the members of the Societies for Psychical Research throughout the world, and the members of the American Medico-Psychological Association, the expense of the reprints and their distribution being borne by two or three individuals and the Rotch Trustees. The Literary Bureau coöperated in this undertaking by sending copies of "A Great

Thinker" in the same envelope with Mr. Whitehead's study; and by paying for the envelopes and half the postage, the total expense to the Bureau was slightly in excess of \$20.

It has been decided to send about 200 reprints of Mr. Alfred H. Stroh's article entitled "Emanuel Swedenborg as a Cerebral Anatomist and Physiological Psychologist," which appeared in the *New-Church Review* for this April, to professors of psychology and other suitable persons, the expense not to exceed \$10.

Arrangements had been completed for the publication of another edition of 50,000 of the "Great Thinker," when a proposition was made to send with it to all clergymen an abridged edition of the "True Christian Religion."

A careful examination of the statistics of the distribution of the editions of Swedenborg's works that are prepared as gift-books for clergymen, as contained in the successive reports of the Iungerich Trustees, shows that, while the distribution has been going on since 1872, more than half the total copies thus far distributed were sent out before the death of Mr. Iungerich in 1882; and that since 1884 the numbers of books distributed annually have been decreasing, while at the same time the Iungerich trust-funds have been increasing. The funds now stand at \$48,700, or over one-fifth more than the original amount. In their report to Convention a year ago, the Trustees called the attention of all friends of their work to the fact that they were prepared to distribute far more copies of the gift-books than are now being called for; and they asked for coöperation, to the end that the distribution might be increased. The new proposition is a reply to that appeal.

As the Protestant clergy undoubtedly present the most important single field for missionary work, there can be no question of the wisdom of furthering this distribution of the gift-books. But when we consider that the ministerial profession as a whole is the most poorly paid of all professions,—so poorly in fact, that the average minister must look more than once at even a few cents before spending them,—it can be seen that this requirement of the prepayment of postage is a serious obstacle to a more general distribution of the books offered, especially when very few have the remotest idea of the value of these works, and thousands of them probably have never heard of the offer. But with Swedenborg's most important doctrinal work placed freely in their hands, they will be able to decide whether they wish for more.'

At the present time there are in America over 150,000 Protestant clergymen of all denominations. Assuming that the addresses of four-fifths of these can be procured, it is proposed to print 120,000 copies of an abridged edition of the "True Christian Religion" (the abridgment prepared by Rev. John Hyde, and published in London in 1868, and in Boston in 1869), and to send a copy free to every Protestant clergyman whose address can be ascertained. The total cost of this undertaking as planned will approximate \$12,000; and we are practically assured that one-half of this amount, or \$6,000, can be raised among the laymen of the church (\$2,000 of the \$6,000 having already been pledged), provided the Iungerich Trustees will contribute the other \$6,000. In the past these gift-books have been offered free, but the applicants have been required to prepay the postage. But the original deed of trust prepared by Mr. Iungerich shows the power of the Trustees in this respect. In it we read that the Trustees are "to apply the income arising from said trust funds, and such part of the principal, from time to time, as in their discretion shall seem necessary, in the publication or printing and gratuitous distribution of the theological writings of the New Church given by Emanuel Swedenborg, servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, among the Protestant clergy of the United States and Canada, including theological students and instructors in theology . . . which said writings I suggest shall be distributed in the following order of priority: first, "The True Christian Religion"; second, "The Apocalypse Revealed"; third, "The Divine Providence" . . . I further direct that, in the circulation of these books, those receiving them shall pay the postage or expressage on the same as a rule, thus indicating, in a measure, those who will be most likely to preserve and use the books if sent; but this direction is not intended to be absolute, and is left to the discretion of the Trustees."

This matter has been laid before the Iungerich Trustees, and it is hoped that it will be favorably considered.

The Bureau's Committee on Publication and Distribution have some other undertakings in hand which are not yet sufficiently matured to be reported.

JOHN C. AGER, *Chairman.*

M. GILES BOOK.

JOHN W. STOCKWELL.

CLYDE W. BROOMEELL.

EZRA HYDE ALDEN.

ROBT. A. SHAW.

**No. 26.—REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION OF SWEDEN-BORG'S MANUSCRIPTS.**

THE accumulated fund set aside for the publication of Swedenborg's manuscripts is now nearly sufficient for the publication of another volume. The present Chairman of the Committee expects to visit Sweden during the coming summer, and to make such an examination of the still unpublished manuscripts as will enable him to recommend to the Convention some definite action.

JOHN C. AGER, *Chairman.*

## Reports of Associations and Societies.

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### CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Los Angeles .....	.....	86
Riverside.....	Rev. Berry Edmiston ....	44
San Diego.....	Dr. M. F. Underwood ...	37
San Francisco (O'Farrell St.) ....	Rev. J. S. David.....	75
Rev. J. Faulkner Potts, <i>General Pastor</i> .....	.....	—
Total .....	.....	242

THE Los Angeles Society enjoyed the services of the Rev. Howard C. Dunham until January, 1910, when he removed to Denver. The Sunday services have since been conducted very acceptably by Mr. Wm. R. Reese, at the request of that Society.

The Riverside Society continues in a flourishing condition, and much activity and unity of effort are manifested among the young people.

The San Diego Society is showing considerable activity under the energetic and efficient services of Dr. Maro F. Underwood. The report of this Society to the Third Annual Meeting of the California Association, contained a unanimous request that he be recommended to the General Convention for ordination at the Convention's approaching Annual Meeting. The Association, after due consideration, unanimously concurred. In April the Society paid the third annual instalment of \$100 on the church debt. The Society gratefully acknowledges the aid of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions in carrying on its work.

The San Francisco Society is in a healthy and active condition. This year the Society came into possession of a legacy of \$15,000 known as the "W. B. Ewer Salary Fund," which, with accrued interest, now amounts to about \$16,000. This has been invested by

the Board of Trustees in interest-bearing bonds, which will net the Society \$810 per year, thus placing the Society on a good financial basis.

In Oakland, Rev. J. S. David has been conducting Sunday services regularly in a hall which he engaged for the purpose on his own responsibility depending on the weekly offerings to meet all expenses. It is hoped that this work will result in the re-establishment of a strong center in that locality.

At San Bernardino the few New-Church people continue to hold monthly meetings at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Gazzolo under the leadership of Mr. John C. Perry of Highland.

An important feature of our work was the engagement of a missionary and colporteur in the person of Dr. N. H. Clafin, who has been doing earnest and effective work in Riverside and vicinity, and at this writing is busy in Oakland and Berkeley. He will afterwards work in San Francisco and then proceed to other points. This work began in January, and is sustained by the Board of Home and Foreign missions supplemented by societies and individuals in California; Riverside and San Francisco contributing the most from this State.

A movement is on foot to combine the Pacific Coast and California Associations, which, it is hoped, may be brought about next year.

J. S. DAVID, *President.*

#### CANADA ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	PASTORS OR LEADERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Berlin .....	Rev. E. D. Daniels .....	75
Toronto.....	Rev. Percy Billings.....	91
Montreal .....	.....	8
Hamilton .....	William Addison .....	

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THE Toronto Society has maintained two services and a Sabbath-school every Sunday, and the usual branches of church work on week-days. The Pastor has delivered several courses of Sunday-

evening lectures, chiefly on scientific and philosophical subjects relating to the church, which have attracted attention and awakened interest.

The Berlin Society shows prosperity in all its many church activities; they have nearly completed the putting of stained windows in their church, and are about to redecorate the inside walls, repaint the inside and outside wood-work, and put on a slate roof. There is an acquisition of new members, and much has been done in a quiet way in distributing the literature of the church. And better than all, the spiritual life is deepening in the people. But the Society, and indeed the whole Association, have met with a great loss in the passing away of the Pastor's wife, Mrs. E. D. Daniels. Especially is her loss felt by the Woman's Alliance which under her leadership began to manifest useful activity.

In Wellesley, Ontario, there is hardly a member of our church left. The church building there is rented for the purpose of union services. From this there is a small income which is applied to our church work elsewhere.

From Strathroy nearly all our people are gone; but through the kindness and foresight of Mr. J. B. McLachlan the church building is the property of the Association.

No statistical or other information is at hand concerning the Montreal Society other than that given in the report of 1909.

In London, Ontario, we have a number of people who have been kept together mainly through the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. White. They maintain a small Sunday-school, and an evening meeting once a week, and the Berlin Pastor visits them once a month. The interest there is increasing and the people purpose in the near future to hire a hall in which to hold their meetings.

At the last meeting of the Association there was no report from Hamilton, and circumstances have prevented the presiding minister from visiting the people there.

There are many other centers where work should be done, but for several reasons it has been impossible to undertake it during the past year.

At the last meeting of our Association reports showed that through the efforts of the Rev. Percy Billings the Fraser Institute and the McGill University of Montreal, Quebec, and the Carnegie Library of Ottawa, Ontario, had been supplied with full sets of the writings

of Swedenborg. Mr. Billings has done much other successful work of the same kind. Reports showed that the sales from the book-room in Toronto amounted to \$103.33 and that an Evidence Society had been organized which had sent out a large amount of New-Church literature, chiefly the pamphlet, "A Great Thinker" to clergymen. These agencies are still at work; they are conducted wholly by the Toronto people under the leadership of their Pastor.

The bequest of the Street Will, mentioned in last year's report, has been invested at 8 per cent, with good security on northwestern farming lands; and the income, as soon as it is received, will be used in our church extension work in Canada.

E. D. DANIELS, *Presiding Minister.*

### ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS OR LEADERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Chicago	Kenwood, Rev. J. W. Stockwell, <i>Pastor</i>	115
	Englewood, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, <i>Pastor</i>	111
	North Side, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, <i>Pastor</i>	63
	Humboldt Park, Rev. A. B. Francisco, <i>Pastor</i>	98
	At large	75
St. Louis, Mo.	Rev. C. A. Nussbaum, <i>Pastor</i> .....	61
La Porte, Ind.	Rev. F. A. Gustafson, <i>Pastor</i> .....	68
Henry, Ill.	Mr. Chester Bidwell, <i>Leader</i> .....	20
Springfield, Ill.	Frank H. Bode, <i>Leader</i> .....	18
Olney, Ill.	William Bower, <i>Leader</i> .....	21
Peoria, Ill.	Mrs. A. E. Bassett, <i>Secretary</i> .....	8
Jefferson, Wis.	George Copeland, <i>Leader</i> .....	10
Wilmington, Ill.	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, <i>Visiting Minister</i> .	15
Canton, Ill.	" " " " "	18
Joliet, Ill.	" " " " "	11
Pontiac, Ill.	" " " " "	10
Wellsville, Mo.	" " " " "	45
Pittsfield, Ill.	" " " " "	20
Union City, Tenn.	" " " " "	28
Osage Co., Kan.	" " " " "	23
Isolated members	.....	75
Total	.....	913

THE ministerial force of this Association has been augmented by the accession of the Rev. Frank A. Gustafson who was called to the pastorate of the La Porte Society made vacant by the resignation of the Rev. E. D. Daniels and his removal to Berlin, Canada. Dr. Gustafson was installed on January 16 and is serving the society with much acceptance. The other societies of the Association continue in about the same condition as a year ago.

During three months of last summer the Missionary Pastor of the Association, the Rev. L. G. Landenberger, was called by the Board of Missions to take charge of the Swedenborg exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle, and the Association released him for that purpose. It is believed that his work there was most useful. The Rev. C. A. Nussbaum ministered to Mr. Landenberger's circle of societies during his absence and did some other summer missionary work besides.

The society at Olney enjoyed a visit from the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck during the summer vacation when a summer school was conducted for a few weeks.

In Chicago the work of the church goes on pretty much as usual, though with a somewhat disturbed feeling growing out of the Academy question. The Rev. John W. Stockwell has resigned the pastorate of the Kenwood Parish, but his resignation has not been accepted, and it is hoped he will be induced to reconsider it. It is likely the Convention will meet in Chicago next year and its influence will doubtless be beneficial to the Society.

**JOHN S. SAUL, *Presiding Minister.***

#### MAINE ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	PASTOR OR MINISTER.	NO. MEMBERS.
Bath .....	Rev. William F. Wunsch .....	33
Fryeburg .....	Rev. Baman N. Stone .....	55
Portland .....	Rev. Everett K. Bray .....	41
Total .....		129

IT deserves reporting as a noteworthy event that the annual session of the Maine Association in September last was held at Center Lovell in the house of worship of the Christian Church by its special invitation. Two of our New-Church families — Rev. J. E. Werren's and Hon. Job Barnard's — have summer homes in this community; and the invitation was doubtless given mostly on account of their friendly interest and their kind services to this Christian Society. The Association was welcomed with sincere good will and generous hospitality, and was given full freedom of speech and action. The words spoken received an attentive and friendly hearing and all the proceedings made a favorable impression. The meeting illustrates the truth that brethren of differing doctrinal faith can dwell together in the unity of Christian charity.

During this meeting Mr. William F. Wunsch, at the request of the Bath Society, and with the sanction of the Association, was ordained into the ministry by the Rev. William L. Worcester; and since that date he has been efficiently serving this Society as their minister. His work has been carried on steadily with an interested response from the people. The attendance at the Sunday morning worship has averaged 33, and the number of communicants at the Holy Supper, 18. The six evening services during Lent attracted a large number of strangers. The Sunday-school and a fortnightly doctrinal class have met regularly.

The Fryeburg Society reports the death of Col. Enoch C. Farrington, for many years prominent in public life in the State; the addition of one member and one transfer by letter; and the gift of copies of the Bible or Book of Worship to nine children and young people according to the custom of former years. Recently there has been an increase in numbers, and new interest apparent in the work of the Sunday-school.

The matter of chief interest relating to the Portland Society is the erection of their new Parish House, at a cost of about \$3,300, in a growing, residential and easily accessible part of the city. The building was occupied for worship on the first Sunday in March, and the audience room, which will comfortably seat about one hundred persons, was filled to the full. A considerable number of new people from the neighborhood have since come to the morning worship, as well as to the special evening meetings during March, some of whom

will probably become permanently connected with the Society. Further details about the Parish House can be seen in the *New-Church Messenger* of March 23, 1910.

Appended is a summary report of the work of Rev. Everett K. Bray, as State Missionary:—

"Last Spring, the Central Square Baptist Church, Woodfords, was secured for a series of six lectures. The law and philosophy of correspondences was presented in this course to an average audience of about 30 persons, about half of them being strangers. Four more meetings were held here Sunday afternoons during July; and the attendance this time was slightly larger. Much interest was manifest.

"Two sermons were preached at the school house at Pleasant Hill near Freeport, to attentive audiences of young people.

"Visits were made to West Scarboro, Yarmouth, South Windham, Westbrook, Augusta, Hallowell, and Gardiner.

"In Westbrook a service was held at the home of Mrs. Griggs, with several neighbors present, 13 attending in all.

"It had been my desire to give some lectures during the winter, but much to my sorrow, it has been a physical impossibility.

"The present series of Sunday evening lectures at the new Parish House, constitutes the first actual missionary work that has been done this winter. At these the attendance has been remarkably good, numbering on the average 42; and much interest has been expressed. The subjects presented are: Heaven, Its Nearness and Reality; The Bible in its Own Defense; The Need of a Saviour Omnipotent; and Christianity's Full Meaning."

Respectfully submitted.

BAMAN N. STONE, *President.*

## MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Washington, D. C. ....	Rev. Frank Sewall .....	132
Wilmington, Del.....	Rev. George Henry Dole .....	46
Baltimore, Md. (German) .	Mr. Carl Lotz, <i>Leader</i> .....	56
Preston, Md. ....	Rev. John E. Smith, <i>Missionary</i> ...	26
Easton, Md. ....	Rev. Wm. M. MacIntosh .....	8
Baltimore, Md. (English) .	Rev. Harold S. Conant .....	92
Richmond, Va., Mission ..	Rev. Junius B. Spiers.....	42
Individual Members .....		3
		405
Estimated Number of Isolated Believers .....		20

THE membership of the societies shows a net loss of 14, due in part to death and in part to transfer to other Associations, leaving a net membership of 405. The Treasurer's Report to the Annual Meeting in Washington, November 19-21, 1909, showed receipts aggregating \$1,735.29, and expenditures \$1,735.40, the funds being used in very large measure for missionary purposes.

Important changes have occurred in the clergy list of the Association during the past year. The Rev. Louis Herrmann Tafel of the German Church in Baltimore was called to the spiritual world after a prolonged illness on Nov. 29, 1909, in the sixty-seventh year of his age. The German Society was thus left without a pastor. Services have been held regularly and the Sunday-school maintained, and the Society looks hopefully forward to continued useful service in the future.

The Baltimore English Society, after over a year's vacancy in the Pastorate, has chosen as their minister the Rev. Harold S. Conant, recently assistant minister in Philadelphia, and he was installed in the Pastorate on Sunday, March 6, the General Pastor officiating and the Rev. Wm. L. Worcester of Philadelphia preaching the sermon. The Society is setting out in its new career in a hopeful and earnest spirit, and reports a rapid improvement in its condition since the advent of the new Pastor, who it believes will lead into larger achievement and substantial progress. Encouraging signs are noted in many directions. The pulpit during the last months of the vacancy was frequently filled by ministers lecturing at night in the National Church

Lecture Course at Washington, including the Rev. Messrs. Thomas A. King, of Lakewood, O.; Thomas French, Jr., of Buffalo; and H. Clinton Hay, of Boston.

The Annual Meeting of the Association invited to Baltimore was held instead at Washington, owing to the absence of Mr. C. A. E. Spamer, President of the Society, in the Orient, and to the vacancy in the Pastorate. In the Board of Missions serious consideration was given to the matter of making more efficient the mission work at Richmond, Va., and on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and a Committee was appointed to consult the Convention Board of Missions and that of the Pennsylvania Association, both of which are interested in and give their aid to this work.

The National Church Lecture Course during four months' consecutive night services in Washington has attracted attentive and interested audiences and has served a useful purpose besides, in the opportunity afforded for interchange of pulpits and wider mutual acquaintances among the people and the Pastors. The themes treated have been "Swedenborg and the Land he Saw," five lectures by the Rev. Frank Sewall, and "Swedenborg and Present Day Religious Problems" thirteen lectures contributed by the Rev. Messrs. King, Goddard, French, Dole, Hay, Smyth, Sperry, and the Pastor.

In Wilmington the Pastor has been able to resume his regular duties and reports a well attended course of Lenten mission lectures; on the Eastern Shore the visits of the missionary, Rev. John E. Smith, are extended to the circle in Williston in their newly recovered place of worship; in Richmond there are indications of interest awakened which our very poorly housed mission seems ill adapted to meet. The respective shares and responsibility of the Association and Convention in meeting the needs of the wide Southern field should receive prompt and careful consideration.

The Rev. George L. Allbutt reports increased sales at the Book Room of the Baltimore Northwest Mission, and a larger attendance at his mission services. He has been of frequent service to the German Society in conducting worship and administering the sacrament since the departure of the Rev. Louis H. Tafel.

FRANK SEWALL, *General Pastor.*

GEO. PAUSCH, *Assistant Secretary.*

## MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	PASTORS, MINISTERS, OR LEADERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Abington .....	Rev J. Paul Dresser, <i>Minister</i> .....	45
Boston .....	{ Rev. James Reed, <i>Pastor</i> .....	
	{ Rev. H. C. Hay, <i>Associate Pastor</i> } .....	505
Boston Highlands .....	Rev. C. W. Broomell, <i>Minister</i> .....	167
Bridgewater .....	Rev. George S. Wheeler, <i>Pastor</i> .....	139
Brockton .....	Rev. Paul Sperry, <i>Pastor</i> .....	175
Brookline .....	Rev. C. W. Harvey, <i>Minister</i> .....	52
Cambridge .....	Rev. D. V. Bowen, <i>Minister</i> .....	74
Contoocook, N. H. .....	.....	15
East Bridgewater .....	Rev. Clarence Lathbury, <i>Pastor</i> .....	50
Fall River .....	Rev. Warren Goddard, Jr., <i>Pastor</i> .....	32
Lancaster .....	.....	20
Manchester, N. H. ....	Carl Roth, <i>Leader</i> .....	50
Mansfield .....	Rev. C. W. Broomell, <i>Minister</i> .....	19
Newtonville .....	Rev. John Goddard, <i>Pastor</i> .....	117
Providence, R. I. ....	Rev. Hiram Vrooman, <i>Pastor</i> .....	126
Salem .....	.....	8
Springfield .....	Rev. C. Edgar Ritter, <i>Minister</i> .....	15
Waltham .....	Benj. Worcester, <i>Leader</i> .....	48
Yarmouth .....	.....	18
		1675
New Bedford Mission .....	.....	15
		1690

In addition to the ministers in charge of societies the Rev. Messrs. Stephen Jepson, H. W. Wright, Gardner I. Ward, C. G. Hubbell and James Taylor are not in active ministerial work. The Rev. Messrs. W. H. Hinckley and W. H. Mayhew have both passed to the other world since the last meeting of Convention. Rev. Charles Hardon has removed to California. Rev. J. E. Werren is in Europe on leave of absence. Rev. L. F. Hite teaches in the Convention Theological School in Cambridge. Rev. John Whitehead has become the Missionary of the Association.

The year has been marked by some changes in the methods of carrying on the activities of the Association. A Pastoral Board has been organized to have entire charge and control of all work done

and expenditures made for the aid and encouragement of the weaker societies of the Association taking over this function from the Missionary Board and leaving to the Missionary Board the distinctive function of presenting the teachings of the church to people unacquainted with them. The Missionary Board formerly consisted of ten members. The Pastoral Board and the present Missionary Board, each consists of five members, the General Pastor being on each Board *ex-officio*.

The Missionary Board has employed Rev. John Whitehead as the Missionary of the Association. Mr. Whitehead has continued his lectures in a public hall in Boston and has organized as an adjunct to the lectures a class for the study of the doctrines of the church. He has also given lectures in New Bedford and Worcester before excellent audiences. The circle of New-Church friends in New Bedford has been organized as a Mission of the Association. A wave of interest in Missionary work has seemed to influence the societies of the Association. Rev. H. C. Hay has continued his very successful Tuesday afternoon classes in Boston. Vesper services have also been held in Boston with audiences averaging nearly one thousand in number. A series of lectures to large audiences was given in Newtonville by ministers from beyond the bounds of the Association. In Providence an effort is making to distribute Rev. Hiram Vrooman's new book "Religion Rationalized." The ministers of the Brockton and Fall River Societies have taken advantage of opportunities to preach to congregations in their respective cities not of the New Church.

Rev. J. Paul Dresser ordained during the year as minister of the Abington Society continues his services there. Rev. George S. Wheeler has returned to the Bridgewater Society after several years' service in Providence and Waltham. Rev. D. Vinton Bowen has ministered to the Cambridge Society since last summer's vacation. The Boston Society celebrated with fitting ceremonies the fiftieth anniversary of the ordination of their Pastor, Rev. James Reed. The Neighborhood House in Lynn has continued its work and organized Sunday-school classes for children of the neighborhood.

The New-Church Club of Boston has also continued its work, meeting monthly for the discussion of questions of interest to the church. Many of the papers presented to the Club find their way into the *New-Church Review*.

The New-Church School in Waltham has had a year of quiet work with a satisfactory attendance, though not exceeding its possibilities to accommodate students.

JAMES REED, *General Pastor.*

JOHN DABOLL, *Secretary.*

#### MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	PASTORS OR LEADERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Detroit .....	Rev. S. S. Seward .....	97
Almont .....	Dr. Wm. B. Hamilton .....	63
Grand Rapids* .....	George W. Thayer .....	
Total .....		160

\*Not active.

ALL the activities of the Detroit Society have been carried on as usual during the past year. There has been regular preaching with an average attendance of 66. The Sunday-school has been rather fuller than last year.

The auxiliary societies, the Ladies' Industrial, the Young Women's Guild (a new institution), the Young-People's League, have all been active, and a choral meeting has been carried on during most of the year. The Tuesday evening meetings perform a great use in the Society. The young-people's class meets at 5.30; supper is served at 6 o'clock; an adult class is held at 7.30, and the musical practice at 8 o'clock.

At Almont services have been conducted occasionally by Dr. Wm. B. Hamilton, and the presiding minister has officiated and administered the sacraments twice.

The Summer School last year was very successful in point of numbers, and in the delightful sphere of the school. The instructors were the Rev. S. S. Seward, Rev. Thomas A. King, and Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, assisted by Miss Dora Pfister. But two other ministers, the Revs. Robert S. Fischer and Charles E. Mack were on the grounds and their services were called into requisition frequently and usefully. The largest attendance was on the second Sunday, when 180 people were on the grounds, 120 of whom stayed to the dinner served

at the cottage, and fifty or sixty gathered under the trees at 3 o'clock for a "question box" held at the request of the outsiders themselves. On the whole it was pronounced one of the most useful sessions of the School ever held.

The School has met with a severe loss in the death of Mr. James R. Hamilton who passed away in December last. His spirit was lovely; his understanding of the doctrines of the church sound and clear; his counsel always wise and in the right direction; while his faithfulness was admirable beyond the common. His brother, Dr. W. B. Hamilton will take up his work as far as possible; while some of the younger men have volunteered to share his labors. Mr. Hamilton was for many years the Secretary of the Association.

The trustees of the Grand Rapids New-Church Association contributed this year \$1,000 to the uses of the work in Almont and Detroit.

Respectfully submitted.

B. G. A. LAITNER, *Secretary.*

#### MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	PASTOR.	NO. OF MEMBERS.
St. Paul.....	Rev. Edward C. Mitchell .....	46*
Minneapolis .....		24†
Total .....		70
*Present, 26; absent, 20.	†Present, 13; absent, 11.	

Receivers in Minnesota: St. Paul, 30; Minneapolis, 12; Isolated, 6. Total, 48.

Statistics, 1909-10: St. Paul, average attendance at public worship, 40; at Holy Supper, 30; at Sunday-school, including adult Doctrinal Class, 25; Baptism, 1; Marriage, 1; New Members, 2; Death, 1.

The usual religious meetings, and other gatherings, have been held as usual.

The Minneapolis Society is still inactive, holding no public meetings. About ten of the Minneapolis receivers attend church in St. Paul.

As the St. Paul New-Church Society is the only active part of our Minnesota Association, the Association has not held meetings during the past year. The Treasurer of the Association is Mr. Edward H. Cutler, 360 Summit Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

With fraternal greetings, from Minnesota.

EDWARD C. MITCHELL, *President.*

#### NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	PASTORS OR LEADERS.	NO MEMBERS.
Brooklyn .....	Rev. Arthur Mercer, <i>Pastor</i> .....	163
Brooklyn (German, 1st) .....	Rev. William Diehl, <i>Pastor</i> .....	40
Brooklyn (German, 2nd) .....	F. H. Muhlert, <i>Preacher</i> .....	20
Buffalo .....	Rev. Thomas French, Jr., <i>Pastor</i> ...	45
Hoboken .....		
New York .....	Rev. Julian K. Smyth, <i>Pastor</i> .....	231
New York (German) .....	Rev. Wm. H. Schliffer, <i>Pastor</i> .....	30
Orange, N. J. .....	Rev. Adolph Roeder, <i>Pastor</i> .....	58
Patterson, N. J. .....	J. D. Blauvelt, <i>Leader</i> .....	23
Riverhead .....	Rev. Wm. H. Schliffer .....	12

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THE Association reports earnest and faithful work in all of its societies having the services of a Pastor. Successful courses of Sunday evening lectures, addressed to the public at large and setting forth some of the vital teachings of the New Church in their application to subjects prominently before the religious world, have been delivered in Brooklyn, Orange, Buffalo, and New York. The Presiding Minister has also delivered lectures in Paterson, N. J., which drew good congregations, and Dr. Thomas French has given lectures in Ithaca, N. Y., with very encouraging results. The Association is handicapped by not having a regular missionary who could devote himself to the smaller societies that are without a resident minister, and at its annual meeting in February last it instructed its Executive Committee to see if a missionary could be put in the field. It is felt that the time is ripe for such a movement.

A German Society (second) has been formed in Brooklyn with a membership of twenty. Its application for membership into the

Association was granted, and it was formally received at the annual meeting February 22. It is in charge of Ferdinand Muhlert, who has been authorized to preach under the rules of the Convention. The Society holds services in a hall. The Presiding Minister administered the Holy Communion on the evening of Easter, a large number being present. Through the Secretary of the Association, a systematic effort has been made to keep in touch with isolated members. He has written many letters and sent out considerable literature of a missionary character. He has also been preaching for the Riverhead Society, holding services twice a month.

The Association continues its aid to the Buffalo Society and feels that the situation there is distinctly encouraging and worthy of the moral and financial support, not alone of the Association, but of all in the Church at large who have been actively interested in the up-building of this Society.

JULIAN K. SMYTH, *Presiding Minister.*

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#### OHIO ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Cincinnati .....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck .....	297
Lakewood .....	Rev. Thomas A. King .....	115
Cleveland .....	Rev. John R. Hunter .....	80
Urbana .....	Rev. Russell Eaton .....	43
Glendale .....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck .....	20
Indianapolis .....	Rev. Herbert C. Small .....	32
Toledo.....	Rev. Chas. E. Mack .....	30
Columbus .....	Rev. Russell Eaton .....	12
Louisville .....	Rev. Herbert C. Small .....	12
Dayton .....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck .....	12
Individual Members .....		82
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SEVERAL changes have taken place in the Association during the past year. The growth of the work in Lakewood and Cleveland made it necessary to have another Pastor there. The Rev. John R. Hunter was therefore called to the Cleveland parish, the Rev. Thomas A. King confining his labors to the Lakewood Society. Mr. Hunter's position as missionary in Indianapolis has been filled by the Rev.

Herbert C. Small. The Rev. Robert S. Fischer was invited last fall to take charge of the Louisville Society. He therefore took up his residence there and accomplished much useful work. Once a month he visited the circle in Dayton. But now that Mr. Fischer has gone to Philadelphia, the work in Louisville will come under the care of the missionary in Indianapolis. Both the missionaries and the pastors are doing a little to keep in touch with receivers scattered throughout the States of Ohio and Indiana.

The Rev. H. H. Grant and Abraham Knobel remain in the Association and occasionally render service for it.

LOUIS G. HOECK, *President.*

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#### PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	MEMBERS.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.
Fishing Creek Valley ..	Rev. George Wengel.....	8	
Frankford .....	Rev. John W. MacPherson .....	73	81
Lancaster .....	Rev. John E. Smith .....	16	
Montgomery's Ferry ..	Rev. John E. Smith .....	20	30
Philadelphia .....	Rev. Wm. L. Worcester .....	454	142
Pittsburg .....	Rev. John R. Stephenson .....	60	41
Vineland .....	Rev. John E. Smith .....	30	
		661	294

CONSIDERABLE thought has been given during the past year to possible changes in our so-called missionary work, with a view to broadening it and making it more effective. It is becoming evident that with services held but once a month in our scattered circles, little if any increase in membership can be expected, and it is felt that more might be accomplished if at the more promising of these centers a minister could be permanently placed. While thus far this has not proven possible, there are indications that in the near future arrangements can be made whereby more frequent services can be held, and our efficient missionary, the Rev. John E. Smith, enabled to do more extensive pastoral work.

Renewed thought has been given to the possibilities of arousing and stimulating an interest in the teachings of the Church by means

of advertising and correspondence, using the Book Rooms in Philadelphia as a center for such work. At the recent annual meeting of the Association, the Executive Council was directed to organize a "Bureau of Correspondence" and an appropriation of one hundred dollars was made to begin the work. The Council was also given authority to use additional sums as the use develops.

The Rev. Harold S. Conant, who has been the assistant to the Pastor of the Philadelphia Society, and in charge of the work of the Tract Society since the spring of 1906, resigned in February to accept the pastorate of the Baltimore English Society. Both Mr. and Mrs. Conant had won for themselves a warm place in the affections of the members of the Philadelphia Society, which found expression in a farewell supper tendered to them just before their leaving Philadelphia. The Tract Society has engaged the services of the Rev. Robert S. Fischer, formerly of Cincinnati, as its agent, and he has already entered upon his duties.

The Rev. William L. Worcester has continued to divide his time between the Philadelphia Society and the Theological School at Cambridge, but the feeling has strengthened that an arrangement of this character must of necessity be but temporary, and it is understood that next year he will devote his entire time and energy to either the Society or the School.

The Rev. Adam B. Dolly, for a long time connected with this Association, is still residing at Horton, West Virginia, but in feeble health.

WILLIAM L. WORCESTER, *President.*

EZRA HYDE ALDEN, *Secretary.*

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#### WASHINGTON STATE ASSOCIATION.

THE work of the Washington State Association has been carried on mostly by the Rev. Wm. P. Harthill, Mr. Kimm still being unable to preach. During the year Mr. Harthill has preached several times at Tekoa; most of the year at Pine City, twice each month. He has baptized four young people, officiated at three marriages, and conducted two funerals. The Rev. Jacob Kimm has baptized one infant.

WM. P. HARTHILL, *Vice-President.*

## DENVER SOCIETY.

THE Denver Society reports that our Pastor, Rev. Frank A. Gustafson, was called to the La Porte, Ind., Society in October. Being without a Pastor for several months, an effort was made to call the members together for Sunday-school each week.

The second Sunday of January, Rev. Howard C. Dunham, who has twice before ministered to this society, came again to take charge of it. Fifteen years ago his second pastorate in Denver closed under very trying circumstances. Now, all injured feelings have been laid aside by all parties and the present engagement has been entered upon with full understanding and sympathy on the part of both the Pastor and the people.

Morning services and Sunday-school are held regularly and the young people meet weekly for study and monthly for business and pleasure. During the year six small children were baptized. On Easter Sunday three adults were taken into the communion of the church by baptism. Number of members, 38.

Respectfully submitted.

MARY L. WEST, *Secretary.*

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SAN DIEGO SOCIETY.

We are pleased to report that regular services have been held in the Chapel forty Sundays, with an average attendance of eighteen. When without a minister, ten Sundays a class was tried, with an average of thirteen, but was not found to be a satisfactory proceeding.

Rev. J. T. V. Croy came in to conduct services twenty-five Sundays.

Dr. Underwood is now leader and has full charge of Sunday services, except on Communion Sundays, when Mr. Croy comes in.

Our membership is now thirty-seven, an increase of seven. Five baptisms and two confirmations have taken place.

A Sunday-school is held before morning service.

The Ladies' Aid is doing good work.

The Board of Missions has allowed us thirty-five dollars per month

for maintenance of Sabbath worship. We are hoping that Dr. Underwood will be ordained, so that we may be in a more orderly state of externals.

San Diego promises to be a very important and active New-Church center. Considering the size of this city, our growth is thought to be remarkable. Our growth is not only in numbers but also in spiritual strength and harmony of action.

Respectfully yours.

WALTER DIBB, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

## Reports of General Pastors.

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### *Report of the Rev. John Faulkner Potts.*

DURING the past year I have renewed the authorization of Dr. N. H. Clafin, who has been engaged by the Board of Missions as Colporter and Missionary for California, and who had been previously authorized by the Massachusetts Association; and, as ordered and provided in Article V, Section I, of the Constitution of the General Convention, I have placed him under the supervision of the Rev. B. Edmiston, who is the Pastor of the Riverside Society. .

I have also during the year labored by means of correspondence to promote the well-being, and especially the peace and unity, of the members and societies of the church in California.

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### *Report of the Rev. John Goddard.*

I have no official acts to report for the past year.

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### *Report of the Rev. Frank Sewall.*

I have presided at the regular meetings during the year of the Maryland Association and its Ministers' Conference, and have made pastoral visits to Richmond, Va., and to Baltimore.

In the past summer I made an extensive tour along the Pacific coast under the auspices of the Board of Missions of the Convention, visiting the churches and the circles of receivers at Waldeck, Saskatchewan, Seattle, Wash., Portland, Ore., and San Francisco, Los Angeles, Riverside and San Diego in California. The visits in California were made with the entire and cordial concurrence of the Rev. J. Faulkner Potts, the General Pastor of that Association. In Seattle I delivered a number of lectures on Swedenborg and his teachings including one at the Auditorium of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific

Exposition on the "Philosophy of Emanuel Swedenborg," on the occasion of the "Swedenborg Day" officially set apart in the program of the Exposition. These lectures were followed by regular services in Seattle continued during the summer season under the charge of the Rev. L. G. Landenberger.

At Seattle, on July 18, in a room set apart for the purpose in the Washington Hotel Annex, in the presence of a congregation of some thirty people, I ordained into the ministry of the New Jerusalem, Jacob Schröder of Larned, Kansas, the German Synod, pursuant to request of the Rev. Adolph Roeder, President of the Synod, of Pastor Unruh, and of a number of laymen. The candidate was presented for ordination by the Rev. Gustave Reiche, the Rev. Louis G. Landenberger, and Mr. Otto Unruh; and the rite was followed by the Holy Communion.

In Baltimore, Maryland, on Sunday, March 6, I installed into the pastorate of the Baltimore Society of the New Jerusalem (Calvert Street), the Rev. Harold S. Conant.

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*Report of the Rev. William L. Worcester.*

September 5, 1909, I ordained William Frederich Wunsch into the ministry of the New Church, with the sanction of the Maine Association.

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*Report of the Rev. James Reed.*

On Sunday, June 27, 1909, I ordained Jean Paul Dresser into the ministry of the New Church. I have also renewed the authorizations to preach, of Benjamin Worcester and Horace H. Werren. May 15, I gave a similar authorization to Rodney D. Book.

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*Report of the Rev. John S. Saul.*

I have during the past year, as usual, presided at the annual meeting of the Illinois Association, and the meetings of the Association's Executive Committee and Council of Ministers. December 29,

1909, I renewed the authorization of Mr. John Headsten for one year, and on January 16, I installed Frank A. Gustafson as Pastor of the society at La Porte, Ind.

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*Report of the Rev. S. S. Seward.*

On July 31, 1909, at the request of the Rev. Adolph Roeder, President of the German Synod, I authorised John H. Enns, of Rosenort, Manitoba, B. C., as a candidate for the ministry.

In response to the invitation of the Ohio Association I attended the Annual Meeting of the Association, at Cleveland, Ohio, October 15 to 17, 1909; and on the evening of Sunday, the 17th, installed the Rev. John Ramsey Hunter, formerly of Indianapolis, Pastor of the Cleveland Society, delivering the charge to the Pastor, the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck delivering the charge to the people, and the Rev. Thomas A. King a general address on the doctrines of the New Church.

I also attended the meeting of the Illinois Association at St. Louis, Mo., from October 22 to 24.

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*Report of the Rev. Julian K. Smyth.*

On February 10, 1910, I granted to Ferdinand Muhlert an authorization to preach, and request that his name appear in the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers as published by the General Convention in its JOURNAL.

## Reports of Ministers.

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### *Report of the Rev. Charles Louis Carrière, St. Louis, Mo.*

My report is brief, as nothing of special interest has taken place during the year.

The Third Church of the New Jerusalem, in St. Louis, Mo., of which I am Pastor, has continued to work in its accustomed way. We have regular worship, and attend to the work of the church generally. I have baptized seven children, solemnized two marriages, and officiated at seven funerals.

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### *Report of the Rev. George W. Chase, Columbus, Ga.*

Through advancing age I keep up the use of systematically distributing New-Church literature. I also meet on Sunday afternoons regularly our worthy Scotch brother, John Bain, of Phenix, Ala. Have also kept in touch, through visits, with the circles of Atlanta, Ga., and Jacksonville, Fla.

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### *Report of the Rev. O. L. Barler, Beatrice, Neb.*

I am happy to report a year full of work and good health. Besides selling my books, "Degrees of Life in Man," and "Essay on Memorable Relations," I have served as non-resident pastor of the Lenox (Iowa) New-Church Society; and as constant contributor to the *New-Church Messenger* up to about March 1, when I was informed by the editor that further contributions were not desired.

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### *Report of the Rev. Albert Björck.*

I hereby report that I am settled in New York City and am on the list of the New York Association's ministers.

*Report of the Rev. George Gay Daniel.*

My engagement with the Wesleyan Methodist Mission of Brooklyn as stated in last report, terminated in July last year, when I started the re-organization of the Institutional New-Church Mission at 25 West 99th Street, New York City in a programme of Sunday services at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M., with a Sunday-school session between 3.30 and 4.30 P. M., beginning October 3, 1909.

Two rooms of our apartments are used for the usual day school and here we worship on Sundays. There is scarcely any attendance at morning service as the majority of patrons are engaged in domestic and other labor service at that hour. At night, there is a very fair attendance indeed. On Wednesday evenings, there is a Bible Class for the female workers of the "Missionary Circle" of Abyssinian Baptist Church. Having found their need of a knowledge of the internal sense of Holy Scripture in their missionary endeavors, and having heard me speak at one of their meetings, they applied to me for the necessary instruction. They are intelligent and very readily perceive the new truths.

Our Sunday-school has an average attendance of eighteen. Miss Enid F. Thorpe, daughter of Joseph Frank Thorpe, M. D., the President of our little society in embryo, is our Assistant and little Elsie Maynard (11 years) a pupil of our day school, is pianist. Mr. Edward N. Peart, a student of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this city volunteers his services on Sunday evenings as our organist.

Easter Day last was a gala day with us. There were two infant baptisms at 4 P. M., at which there was a splendid programme. Rev. Dr. John Milton Scott, formerly a Unitarian minister, delivered an excellent address to about thirty-five persons, the capacity limit of our rooms. At 8 P. M. we celebrated the Lord's Supper, the first occasion since re-opening. Besides, we have officiated at four infant baptisms, four funerals and sixteen marriages during the Convention year. On account of the new revelation with respect to "Conjugal Love," there is a consensus of opinion that our marriage ceremony stands an easy first in its impressiveness.

*Report of the Rev. Eli W. Shields, Hot Springs, Ark.*

Owing to the fact that my work the past year has been almost entirely amongst visitors to this great resort, the most of whom stay here only about three weeks, and who knew very little if anything of the New Church or its doctrines, the most I could do was to get them more or less interested, and get them to take away with them some New-Church literature; and in that way I have sent New-Church literature from Maine to California.

I only hold regular services by preaching once a week, and doctrinal studies every Friday evening. I have free New-Church library and reading room open every day, and New-Church tracts, *Helpers*, etc., to distribute free of charge; and from letters which I have received, I feel that some are having good effect. I have performed three marriage ceremonies, preached at five funerals, and baptized two new members into our society.

Wishing the Lord may guide the Convention in its deliberation, and hasten the time that we will hear no more of any division of New-Church people concerning the Academy or otherwise.

I presume that I have received a copy of everything printed concerning the controversy from both sides. I deeply deplore the antagonistic feeling that appears to exist, and I think further discussion is very damaging to the cause; but I presume the Academy people came out from us, because they were not of us.

No truly spiritually minded man has any desire for adulterous conduct, whether it be upheld by Swedenborg or not.

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*Report of the Rev. G. J. Fercken, D. D., Mauritius Island.*

Since my last report, a year ago, I have administered the sacrament of baptism four times, the Lord's Supper eight times, received three youths in full membership, officiated at two weddings and one funeral.

Apart from the weekly class of religious instruction for our children, based upon the Word and the New-Church catechism, a weekly class for adults was started in September last, which is very well attended. The book, which has since been studied with unabated interest, is "Divine Love and Wisdom."

My first three years of active pastorate in this island have not passed without great encouragement. The progress made is, for all of us, a source of great rejoicing, accompanied with the intense desire of doing more and better in the future. Our services, especially in Curepipe, are so well attended that, of late, over seventy worshippers assist at them regularly. This is great progress compared with the first year when not more than forty attended them. . . . "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give glory for Thy mercy, and for Thy truth's sake."

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*Report of the Rev. F. L. Higgins.*

*To the President and Members of the General Convention  
of the New Jerusalem:—*

DEAR BRETHREN: Having resigned as the Pastor of the New-Church Society at Pretty Prairie, Kan., to which I had been ministering since August, 1908, I closed my labors at that place on Easter Sunday, with a most enjoyable and impressive morning service, during which five young people were confirmed; and in the afternoon administered the Holy Communion, as my last official act there.

By invitation I visited and preached to the New-Church Society in Pawnee Rock, Kan., the Sunday following Easter, and then Mrs. Higgins and I took our departure for the South, and on April 9 were welcomed by the small group of New-Church people in Fairhope, Ala. Since our arrival here we have purchased a modest home, which may become our permanent abode.

Religious services have been conducted here in Fairhope on Sunday mornings since we came, and an informal song service on Sunday and Thursday evenings. Providence permitting, I am expecting in the future to do missionary work in Mobile, and other places, as well as in Fairhope.

Sincerely hoping that the coming meeting of the Convention may be a profitable and uplifting one,

I remain yours, in the love of the Lord's New Church.

## Reports of Auxiliary Bodies.

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### REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

THE Forty-third Annual Meeting of the Association was held in the house of worship of the Brooklyn Society on Thursday evening, May 19, and Friday forenoon, May 20. Helpful addresses were delivered by the Rev. Wm. L. Worcester of Philadelphia on "The General Exercises of the Sunday-School — the Solution of Difficulties presented by the Graded System," and by the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck of Cincinnati on "The Parents' Coöperation in the Work of the Sunday-School." Both of these addresses will later be printed, and arrangements are being made for a wide distribution of the address by Mr. Hoeck.

The report of the Secretary showed an enrolment in the 58 schools, reporting, of 431 officers and teachers, 889 scholars in adult classes, and 1,850 in other classes, a somewhat marked decrease being noted in the total membership of the younger classes.

*Sunday Afternoons*, the new Sunday-school paper, published by the American New-Church Tract and Publication Society, under the editorial charge of Miss Margaret C. Worcester and the Rev. Robert S. Fischer — and previously of the Rev. Harold S. Conant — received much commendation, and the Standing Committee of the Association was directed to make an earnest effort to increase its circulation among the schools.

Action was taken looking to the preparation of a series of review questions on some simple plan, such questions to be issued once or twice a year.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN W. STOCKWELL, *President.*

EZRA HYDE ALDEN, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH LEAGUE.

THE Twenty-third Annual Conference of the American New-Church League was held in the churches of the Brooklyn and New York Societies on Friday and Saturday, May 20 and 21, 1910. There were present 83 delegates representing 28 leagues.

The Secretary reported that the American New-Church League now numbers 39 local Leagues, with a membership of 1,356 active members, 177 honorary members, and 63 associate members.

The results of the year's work of the American League, as shown by the reports of the committees, evidenced a continued interest and activity in League matters by League members, especially so in the Reading-Circle work and in obtaining subscribers for the *League Journal*. The Conference voted to ratify the action of last year's Conference as to the book of Swedenborg's for this year's Reading Circle, that is "Heaven and Hell." A suggestion for a four years' graded course in reading Swedenborg was made, and Conference voted to have such a one placed before the League next year. The Conference also voted to continue a committee appointed to develop a course of study on Special Social Problems.

This year's Conference was of interest in that practically all the local Leagues were represented by their younger members who partook actively in the deliberations of the Conference.

AWBREY N. SHAW, *President.*

A. EDITH ABELL, *Secretary.*

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE IUNGERICH PUBLICATION FUND.

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem  
in the United States of America :—*

THE Trustees of the Iungerich Publication Fund make the following report of their operations for eleven months, ending April 1, 1910, the earlier date fixed for holding the Ninetieth Session of the General Convention preventing them from reporting their operations for a full year.

First they would report that Mr. Adolph Ahrens, Jr., who was elected at the last session of the Convention to fill the vacancy

occasioned by the death of their honored associate, Mr. Julien Shoemaker, has accepted the trust and very cordially and efficiently coöperated with his associates, and now joins with two of them in making this report, Mr. William Burnham being away in Europe.

Rev. Adolph Roeder, who has so earnestly and efficiently coöperated with the Trustees in the distribution of the German edition of the "True Christian Religion," doing work and conducting correspondence which the Trustees could not do themselves, and could not have done through the other agencies employed by them, reports that during the last eleven months he has distributed 31 copies of the German "True Christian Religion," and that this branch of the work is steadily growing in interest, especially in Germany and in the northwest territory of Canada, and that they are all much interested and planning larger work for the coming year.

He suggests that the Jungerich Trustees get out a French edition of the "Gift Books" as the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society have not yet printed any. This subject the Trustees will consider when Mr. Burnham returns from Europe if they cannot make arrangements with the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society to issue the books and buy from them. He suggests four points in which the work should be carried on simultaneously, one or two of the smaller departments of France, the French cantons of Switzerland, the New England States and French Canada and our Southern States, especially Louisiana, the probability being that French Canada would develop the greater interest. In view of what follows it is encouraging to realize that we have these new fields of endeavor.

It has been a source of regret to the Trustees that of late years the demand for the "Gift Books" has greatly fallen off. Their reports show that in the first five years after the creation of the trust they had distributed 14,500 copies of "True Christian Religion" and 8,500 of "Apocalypse Revealed." In the sixth year, 1879, they distributed 3,000 copies of "True Christian Religion" and 2,700 of "Apocalypse Revealed." In that year, including the books distributed by the American New-Church Tract and Publication Society, there were over 10,000 volumes sent to clergymen and theological students. That was the high-water mark. In 1880 there were 2,000 copies each of "True Christian Religion" and "Apocalypse Revealed"

distributed; in 1881, 1,500 "True Christian Religion" and 1,400 "Apocalypse Revealed," and in 1882, the year Mr. Iungerich died, 1,000 copies of each. In the first nine years, including the year in which Mr. Iungerich died, there were distributed 23,500 copies of "True Christian Religion" and 17,500 copies of "Apocalypse Revealed," or a total of 41,000 volumes. This is the 36th year and the total number of copies of "True Christian Religion," including the German edition, distributed to April 1, 1910, is 42,382 and of "Apocalypse Revealed," 32,772. That is in the first nine years, or in one-quarter of the whole time, there were more volumes distributed than in the 27 years since. It will be seen that the falling off in the demand had made rapid progress even during Mr. Iungerich's lifetime and when he was giving personal supervision to the work. In 1880 the demand had fallen off one-third from the great out-put in 1879; in 1881 it had fallen off one-half, and in 1882, the year that he died, it had fallen off two-thirds.

There are many natural explanations of this. The offer is to a limited class, and as that class is gradually supplied the demand must decrease. Again, the novelty of the offer had worn off. When the offer was first made there was great ignorance as to what Swedenborg really taught, and ministers who could gratify their curiosity at a trifling cost did not hesitate to do so. As the books became circulated and their teachings somewhat understood a judgment was effected. Those who were earnestly seeking the truth for its own sake, received it gladly, and the Lord only knows how great a change in the thinking of the religious teachers of this country and of their hearers has been effected by this beneficent work. But those who were confirmed in a belief in a tri-personal God, and in its concomitant heresy, faith alone, were aroused to hostility, and the warfare of the beast against the two witnesses, spoken of in Rev. xi. was waged over again, and ministers and especially theological students were warned against reading the books, and many of the latter did not dare to send for them openly, as they did at one time, having the books sent in large numbers to the various theological schools to supply whole classes. This opposition, and the falling off in the demand for the books from this cause was to be expected, and should not discourage us but should rather stimulate us to greater exertions. We know that in the great battle of Armageddon, fought between the same opposing forces, the gathering of which is described in Rev.

xvi. and the battle itself in REV. xix., the rider on the White Horse, the KING OF KINGS, and LORD OF LORDS, triumphed over all His foes, and has promised full and complete victory to all who fight in the same warfare in His name. But it is necessary that we should rally all our forces, and attention is now directed to one way in which this may be done.

When Mr. Jungerich's offer was first made, all our missionaries and all or nearly all the ministers of the church and many of its members diligently made known this offer to those who could avail themselves of it, and not only did this, but earnestly advised ministers and theological students to send for the books. Other potent agencies were at work, calling attention to the offer. Dr. John Ellis sent out hundreds of thousands of books and pamphlets to the clergy and in all of them advertised the offer. Very many other publications did likewise, and as a result of all these efforts the demand for the books was stimulated. Latterly this kind of effort had practically ceased, and the demand for the books with it, until last year there were only 160 copies of both the English and German editions of "True Christian Religion" distributed, and if it had not been for the efforts of Mr. Roeder among the Germans the number would have been only 121, and of "Apocalypse Revealed" only 119.

During the past year the Literary Bureau of the General Convention has done some very effective work in interesting ministers in the Writings of Swedenborg, and in making known at the same time the offer of the "Gift Books." In conjunction with the Rotch Trustees they have distributed about 50,000 copies of "A Great Thinker," being a re-print of the scholarly and sympathetic criticism of the late Mayo Williamson Hazeltine of the staff of the *New York Sun*, of the new Rotch edition of Swedenborg's works, which is generally conceded to be the most notable contribution to our missionary literature. In all of these was sent a slip calling attention to the offer of the "Gift Books" and for the eleven months of this year the J. B. Lippincott Company report that they have sent out for the Jungerich Trustees of: —

"True Christian Religion".....	289	copies
"Apocalypse Revealed" .....	267	"
and for the Tract Society of: —		
"Heaven and Hell" .....	313	"
"Divine Love and Wisdom" .....	157	"
White's "Life of Swedenborg" .....	257	"
And of the German edition of "True Christian Religion" there have been distributed .....	31	"
or a total of .....	1314	volumes

as against a total of 503 volumes last year, and the greater part of this increase has resulted in the last few months, and the work has only begun.

If all of our missionaries and ministers and all New-Churchmen generally will promptly and effectively take advantage of the new interest in the writings of Swedenborg that has been aroused by the wide circulation of "A Great Thinker" and of other notable events calling attention to Swedenborg, the Trustees do not doubt that soon the demand for the books will be greatly increased, and a corresponding good result, in saner thinking and teaching.

The Trustees renew their acknowledgment of the valuable help rendered them by the Rotch Trustees, the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, the agents in the several Bookrooms and all ministers and missionaries, and again call attention of all interested to the fact that they are abundantly able to provide a great many more copies of the "Gift Books" for distribution than have been called for in recent years, and they hope that in every proper way the terms of the offer may be made known as widely as possible, and they especially ask that if deserving and proper cases are known where the books should be sent to those who are unable to pay the postage, that their attention should be called to these cases, in order that they may decide whether under the discretionary power conferred upon them the postage should not be defrayed by them also.

The Financial and Cash Statements follow:—

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT.**

On May 4, 1909, the Trustees reported the amount of invested funds,	
including real estate, as being .....	\$45,237.50
Cash balance in bank .....	3,458.53
Total .....	<u>\$48,696.03</u>

In lieu of the above the Trustees now report the following:—

**PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.**

	COST.	PAR VALUE.
Reading Railroad 4 per cent. Bonds .....	\$5,295.00	\$6,000.00
Lehigh Valley Coal Co., 5 per cent. Bonds .....	3,040.00	3,000.00
Lehigh Valley Consolidated Mortgage 6 per cent Bond ..	1,240.00	1,000.00
Westinghouse Electric, 5 per cent. Bonds .....	2,100.00	2,000.00
Pennsylvania R. R. Consolidated Mortgage, 4 per cent.		
Bonds .....	5,062.50	5,000.00
Lehigh Valley Consolidated Mortgage, 4½ per cent. Bonds .....	5,250.00	5,000.00
Bond and Mortgage — Barrett.....	3,500.00	3,500.00
" " " Frankford Avenue .....	2,000.00	2,000.00
" " " Fourth Street .....	1,500.00	1,500.00
" " " Market Street.....	6,250.00	6,250.00

**REAL ESTATE.**

	COST.	ESTIMATED VALUE.
Weber Property .....	\$1,000.00	\$900.00
Rudolph Property .....	2,500.00	2,000.00
Landroches Property .....	6,500.00	5,000.00
Cash in Bank .....	2,987.86	2,987.86
	<u>\$48,225.36</u>	<u>\$46,137.86</u>

DETAILS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MAY 4, 1909, TO  
APRIL 11, 1910.

1909.	DR.	
May 4.	Balance.....	\$3,458.53
" 25.	To sixth months' interest on Frankford Avenue Mortgage, due May 23 .....	50.00
June 1.	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley R. R. Consolidated Mortgage Bonds, due June 1.....	112.50
" "	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley Annuity Bond, due June 1.....	30.00
July 8.	To six months' interest on Reading Bonds, due July 1 .....	120.00
" "	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley Coal Company Bonds, due July 1 .....	75.00
" "	To six months' interest on Westinghouse Electric Bonds, due July 1 .....	50.00
" 9.	To six months' interest on Fourth Street Mortgage, due May 17 .....	37.50
" 31.	To six months' interest on Barrett Mortgage, due August 1 .....	105.00
Aug. 18.	To rent, Landroches, Jan. 11 to July 11, 1909, less collection charges.....	92.50
Nov. 6.	To six months' interest on Pennsylvania R.R. Co. Bonds, due Nov. 1 .....	100.00
" 24.	To six months' interest on Frankford Avenue Mortgage, due Nov. 23 .....	50.00
Dec. 4.	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley R.R. Co. Annuity Bond, due Dec. 1 .....	30.00
" 7.	To six months' interest on Market Street Mortgage, due Oct. 11 .....	156.25
1910.		
Jan. 12.	To rent, Landroches, June 11 to July 11, and new tenant, Nov. 1 to Jan. 1, 1910, less collection charges .....	55.50
Jan. 13.	To six months' interest on Reading General Mortgage 4's, due Jan. 1 .....	120.00
" 13.	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Bonds, due Jan. 1.....	75.00
" 13.	To six months' interest on Westinghouse Electric Bonds, due Jan. 1 .....	50.00
" 13.	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley R.R. Consolidated Mortgage Bonds, due Dec. 1, 1909.....	112.50
	<i>Amount carried forward .....</i>	<i>\$4,880.28</i>

	<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	\$4,880.28
Jan. 15.	To six months' interest on Fourth Street Mortgage, due Nov. 17, 1909 .....	37.50.
Feb. 10.	To six months' interest on Barrett Mortgage, due Feb. 1, 1910 .....	105.00
April 11.	To interest allowed by Trust Company .....	54.73
		<hr/> \$5,077.51

1909.

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May 14.	By rent of safe deposit box at Provident Life and Trust Company, to May 14, 1910 .....	\$20.00
" 14.	By J. B. Lippincott Co., bill for 500 circulars regarding Gift Books .....	4.50
" 14.	J. B. Lippincott Co., binding 100 copies T. C. R., German Edition .....	21.00
" 14.	By J. B. Lippincott Co., Insurance on plates .....	1.59
" 26.	By Landroches Property, Taxes 1908 .....	83.52
" 26.	By Rudolph " " " .....	30.24
" 26.	Weber " " " .....	12.75
July 8.	By J. B. Lippincott Co., 1,000 circulars regard- ing Gift Books .....	9.00
" 8.	By J. B. Lippincott Co., Fire Insurance on plates .....	6.00
" 8.	By J. B. Lippincott Co., printing 1,000 copies T. C. R. .....	68.00
" 8.	By J. B. Lippincott Co., binding 400 copies T. C. R., German Edition .....	84.00
" 13.	By Trustees Rotch Legacy, balance Account loss of plates of A. R. .....	350.00
" 14.	By Ledger, Letter File, Letter Copying book and stamps .....	10.00
" 31.	½ of bill of \$71, for 47,000 leaflets advertising Gift Books .....	53.25
Aug. 18.	By Landroches, Fire Insurance .....	27.00
" 18.	By Landroches, Repairs .....	22.35
Oct. 6.	By Advertisement of Gift Books in new edi- tion of "Heaven and Hell" .....	20.00
" 23.	By Landroches, Cement Walk .....	110.56
Nov. 5.	By Trustees Rotch Legacy, Advertisement of Gift Books in 2nd Edition of 50,000 copies of "A Great Thinker" .....	250.00
1910.	<i>Amounts carried forward .....</i>	<hr/> \$1,795.76    \$5,077.51

<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	\$1,795.76	\$5,077.51
Jan. 12. By Landroches, Fire Insurance ....	\$27.00	
Less Credit on old policy .....	24.00	
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	3.00	
" 12. Landroches, Repairs, Cleaning, Water bills, etc.....	290.89	
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	2,089.65	
Cash balance, April 11, 1910, at Fidelity Trust Company, Philadelphia		\$2,987.86
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All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. McGEORGE, JR.,  
HORACE E. SMITH,  
ADOLPH AHRENS, JR.,  
*Trustees.*

**REPORT OF AUDITORS OF ACCOUNT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE  
JUNGERICH FUND.**

THE undersigned committee, appointed by the General Convention to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Jungerich Publication Fund, beg to report that they have carefully vouched and examined the account of the said Trustees about to be presented to the General Convention in May, 1910, both as to items of charge and discharge, and find the same to be correct as stated, the balance shown thereby of \$2,987.86 being vouched by the bank book.

They further report that they have also inspected the securities set forth in the Financial Statement, which is a part of said account, and find the same to be intact.

W. C. RODMAN,  
E. H. ALDEN,  
*Committee.*

PHILADELPHIA, April 26, 1910.

**REPORT OF THE GERMAN MISSIONARY UNION.**

DURING the past year the work of the Union was carried on in the usual way. The book depositories in Philadelphia and its several branches sold and distributed the books of doctrines and also collateral works among the German people.

Missionary work was done by some of the Pastors in the States of New York and New Hampshire.

We are sorry to report the passing away at Baltimore, on November 29, 1909, of our esteemed brother and co-worker in the Union, the Rev. Louis H. Tafel. He was for many years the editor-in-chief of the *Neukirchenblatt*, the organ of the Missionary Union. He had just completed the revision of the German Bible for the Union when he was called away to the heavenly kingdom. This work is a fitting monument to the memory of our departed friend and brother. It was his last contribution to the German New-Church and will, no doubt, be highly prized by this and all future generations.

Not only the German New-Church, but the Church-at-large has lost in him one of her most indefatigable, painstaking and scholarly translators. Those of us who have known him and worked with him in behalf of the church feel deeply grateful that our lot here for a while at least was cast with his, that we might see and profit by his devotion to the Doctrines and by his sincere, intelligent and useful life.

The German Bible is now in press at Zurich and will soon be ready for sale at the book depositories of the Missionary Union.

Respectfully submitted.

REV. WM. DIEHL, *President.*

W. H. SCHLIFFER, *Secretary.*

## Addresses.

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### ADDRESS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FROM THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEW CHURCH IN GREAT BRITAIN.

DEAR BRETHREN: By a happy coincidence your Convention has, on the last two occasions, been in session at the time of the sitting of our Conference. And by a happier inspiration this fact has been utilised for the exchange of a cable message of fraternal greetings. I need hardly say that the reply received from you to the message sent from the Conference at Kearsley gave us great pleasure, and caused our hearts to rejoice in the consciousness of spiritual kinship with our brethren in America.

Your communication from the pen of the Rev. J. Reed was received with much gratification, and is highly valued alike for its contents and authorship. Among the galaxy of great and honoured names inscribed on the roll of American New-Church worthies, that of our esteemed brother, Rev. J. Reed, is by no means the least conspicuous. Both the length of his services, and the quality of his work, are well known and highly appreciated in this country.

The personal references in your address constitute one of the most interesting features of its contents. It is pleasant to be reminded of the visits of our brethren from America, whose presence in our Conference is always greatly welcomed, and does much to strengthen the ties of friendship between the two great branches of the New Church. The names alluded to by Mr. Reed, some of whom are still with us in the flesh, notably those of the Revs. W. Westall, R. R. Rodgers, and Mr. J. E. Broadfield, are names which stand for all that is high and noble in character, and all that is worthy of imitation in the love and service of the Church.

With yourselves, we find the position and prospects of the organized New Church to be matters of deepest interest. Every year that passes makes it more imperative that we should seek to realize with keenest vision the need for, and nature of, the work in which we are engaged. Our position in the world is unique: probably there has never been anything quite like it, the nearest approach to it being that of the early Christians. They felt themselves impelled to initiate a new movement, and to separate themselves from existing religious organizations. And yet, the strange, paradoxical feature of the situation was that the new doctrines they had accepted, and the new spirit they had imbibed, pointed in the opposite direction. The teaching of their Divine Master distinctly looked towards closer association with, and not separation from, their

fellow-men; towards breadth of outlook, and not narrowness; towards an all-embracing sympathy with mankind, and the proclamation of a universal gospel. Yet almost the first step they felt impelled to take was to come out from the old Church, and form a new one; and thus to incur the suspicion of being regarded as a new sect of a fanatical order. And although such idea was altogether erroneous, it is inconceivable that the Christian Church could have been established in any other way.

The position of the second Christian Church, the New Jerusalem, appears to be very similar. Compelled as we are to admit, and rejoicing in the admission, that the New Church is essentially a new dispensation of heavenly truth and love, whose spirit and doctrines are all-embracing, we nevertheless feel that it must have a local habitation, the need for which does not diminish, but rather increases from year to year. In regard to this point there must be no wavering, lest slackness should come upon us, and we should settle down into a state of ease and self-centred satisfaction, which would be fatal to all missionary effort, and possibly to all individual interest in the growth of the New Church. It is not without good reason that we think it necessary to raise a warning against this danger. There is no longer any active opposition to our teaching; and in addition there is a considerable modification of the old doctrines manifesting itself in most of the Christian communities. In some cases there is an obvious approximation towards the acceptance of New-Church truth.

We do not suggest that these facts are of no consequence, or devoid of hope in regard to the growth of the New Church. On the contrary, they are striking indications of those changes which are necessary before the New Church can be established. But what we would insist upon is the recognition of the fact that no change has yet occurred in the Christian Church at large which has in the least degree diminished the need for the organized New Church, and the distinctive work in which it is engaged.

Mr. Reed very truly says in his address that "it would be presumptuous in us to prophecy when and how the Holy City is to be established among men." But it is possible to say with certainty that it will never take place anywhere, or at any time except through the instrumentality of those who receive its precious truths into their deepest affections, and who strive by Divine help to live in agreement with them. The answer to the question of what will best promote the growth of the New Church lies here. That our members should all be filled with power from on high; that spiritual power which comes from a loving acceptance of the truth for the sake of goodness of life, is of far greater consequence than the accession of large numbers to our ranks. May we not say that the only failure of which we need to be afraid is that of falling short of living that life of self-surrender, and of consecration to the love and service of God and man to which our doctrines so emphatically call us? Animated by this high purpose, all that is necessary for the faithful discharge of our duty to the Church will follow.

It is very noticeable in this country, as it is probably in your own, how great is the change that has taken place within the last few years in the realm of theological thought and teaching. The theological world is seething with discon-

tent. The most conservative sects in Christendom are feeling the force of the on-coming tide of doctrinal disruption. Every doctrine of the Christian faith is being put into the melting pot of rational thought, or of destructive criticism. The spirit of the age is becoming increasingly critical and impatient towards all doctrines that are seen to be unscientific, unphilosophic, and irrational. And the seriousness of the situation is that the rejection of religion itself is regarded by many as the inevitable sequel to this doctrinal breakdown. Having discovered that religion in the past has been based upon ideas which are now seen to be erroneous, the inference is that there is nothing left for it to stand upon, and that it must necessarily disappear as something the world has outgrown.

It is impossible to view this state of things with any other feeling than that of deepest sympathy and concern for those who find themselves bereft of the guiding star of religious hope and faith. Our duty is plain: we must be watchmen upon the walls of Jerusalem. We are taught in our doctrines that a watchman is "one who observes the states of the Church, and its changes." The states of the Church vary with almost startling rapidity, and it is plainly our duty to be on the alert, that our efforts to meet the demands of the situation may be wisely directed, and efficiently performed. Our aim must be to keep abreast of the times, in the knowledge of where men stand as to their attitude towards religious thought, so that we may "know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary." The message of the New Church as to its essence, can never change, but the method of presenting it must be made suitable to the hour. The subjects of by-gone years, and methods of dealing with them, do not avail at the present time. Fresh subjects keep springing into prominence, calling for appropriate treatment. The records of your activities, contained in your journals and reports, reveal the fact that you are fully alive to the need for being up to date in dealing with the latest phases of current thought, and taking advantage of every opportunity for presenting the doctrines of the Church in the most convincing manner.

We are anticipating with great interest the forthcoming Swedenborg Congress. There is every reason to believe that it will be instrumental, under the Divine Providence, in spreading a knowledge of our doctrines, and awakening an interest in them, to an extent which a few years ago would have been considered quite beyond the bounds of probability, if not of possibility. We rejoice that your great country is likely to be strongly represented at the Congress; and are encouraged by the assurance that whatever steps may be taken in connection with it to achieve permanent results in the advancement of the Lord's Kingdom on earth, you will be willing to coöperate.

Trusting you may have a very happy and inspiring meeting of your Convention, and that we may have the pleasure of seeing some of your brethren at our Conference,

I am, on behalf of the General Conference,

Fraternally yours,

MARK ROWSE, *President.*

JOSEPH DEANS, *Secretary.*

ADDRESS TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEW CHURCH IN GREAT  
BRITAIN FROM THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM  
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

DEAR BRETHREN: The communication of your President on your behalf has been received with the heartiest feelings of fraternal regard. The exchange of these annual greetings is as pleasant a feature of our meetings as you kindly say it is of yours, and the addition, on the last two occasions, of cable messages between us has increased that sense of strength in unity which comes when we are actually gathered together at the same time in that best of all Names, that of our blessed Lord, our Father and Saviour. It is matter for regret that owing to the different dates of our meetings we should miss that direct word this session. We hope, however, that you will feel, as we do, that this lack is more than made up by the face to face meeting of so many representatives of the Church, not only from this country, but from all over the world at the Swedenborg Congress this summer which you are so actively and generously arranging. The opportunity for this meeting and the liberal space reserved for our essayists and speakers on your programme has been very greatly appreciated by the Church in America. We hope that the number of our delegates will itself be no small evidence of our desire to coöperate in every possible way. We cannot congratulate you too much on your efforts to make the approaching meetings as great an epoch in the history of the Church as was the first foundation of the venerable Society whose hundredth anniversary they celebrate.

In the matter you cite, the matter always most prominent in our regard in these brief annual reviews, that of the place of our organization and degree of sympathy for its distinctive ideas in our present-day religious thought, we, here, find many points of encouragement.

A series of most valuable monographs, published by the Hartford Theological Seminary on the occasion of its seventy-fifth anniversary, entitled "Recent Christian Progress" seems to estimate fairly the present condition of religious scholarship in this country and in Europe. We are aware that the work of the scholar takes some time to become the property of the practical church militant, and that the latter is still suffering from the deadening influences of earlier generations which you quote. But as an estimate and a promise this series is encouraging, showing that in the deeper view of the religious world of to-day the extreme rationalism, and the destructive criticism of the past few generations, with which the Tubingen School was especially identified, are being greatly mitigated; that criticism has become sounder, broader, more conservative, and more appreciative of the greatness of the subjects with which it is dealing; that even in Christology the movement is recognized as inevitable, and already started back to the older conception, the real divinity of our Lord, perhaps through a more enlightened trinitarianism, certainly away from the more radical unitarianism which denies that divinity. In philosophic thought also, attention is given to the positions of Professors Royce and James, of Harvard, with whom our Professor Hite of the Philosophy Department of our Theological School, and

one of our esteemed delegates to the Congress, has had very close intercourse, both of whom are sincerely appreciative of what may be called our great philosophic groundwork of belief, — the doctrine of Love, as the very Being of God and man. Some of us here have also been encouraged by recent works on the great and very modern subject of human "personality," in which possibly that of Divine Personality and its method of discretion into the two "Personæ" of the Incarnation is capable of receiving much practical illustration. Dr. Morton Prince's "Multiple Personality" and Dr. Boris Sidis' work under a similar title, may be cited as of especial value in this line of investigation.

But satisfaction in the more careful and devout study by the thinking world of the doctrine of the Lord, and our own efforts to keep pace with such study, to lead in it, if possible, by the greater light of our Revelation, — is of little value without corresponding interest in our other great primary doctrine, of the Divinity of the Word. It would seem that here the best efforts of our Church through its students and thinkers are especially needed, and every help we can get from the outside world of religious scholarship is eagerly to be welcomed. Some of us here have found very suggestive and stimulating, both affirmatively and negatively, what we believe is the first effort to present in English a comprehensive view of the "History of the Interpretation of the Bible," that namely by Dr. George H. Gilbert, published under the title quoted by the Macmillans in 1908. It gives indeed directly, but scant appreciation to our distinctive method of interpretation. But the author's thorough compilation of "Typological" and "Allegorical" interpretations current in the history of earlier Christianity from Origen to the present day touches our system profoundly, and should make us go much more critically and deeply into our own teachings on the subject. The book seems to prove that we shall never be able to see our own doctrine of the Word clearly, still less be able to interest in it the thoughtful outside our borders, until we realize that the New-Church interpretation as given by Swedenborg is in reality psychological, not, as is often supposed, allegorical except in appearance, namely, in the applications which, by way of illustration, Swedenborg makes of the spiritual sense to the different periods of the Church's history in his own and from the earliest times. Surely, the one thing needful for the development of the Church within its own borders and for the evangelization of the world, is a less hasty acceptance of our great teachings, a deeper and more devout study of them in themselves, in comparison with the thought of the world as, under Providence, it develops, and in relation to the real experience of men. To keep the lamp of truth burning brightly must be what it is always described by our great seer to be the best means towards heavenly goodness of living both here and hereafter.

In this connection we congratulate you most heartily upon your new *Quarterly*. It is a worthy successor of the old *Intellectual Repository* and the long line of periodical publications which have done so much for the spread of the Church in the past. May it have as long a career of vigorous activity and usefulness.

Altogether we feel as if the signs of the times were not discouraging but encouraging. The renewed outside interest in Swedenborg, which you are so

zealously cultivating to the advantage of the Church, the celebrations of the Swedenborg Society, and all your good work, both organizational and through the press, are surely having their effect, both outwardly and inwardly in bringing the New Dispensation down into life about us. May we all be faithful and persistent in this good work, and we shall surely be blessed with heavenly increase.

It is a great pleasure to me to add what, for obvious reasons, it would have been difficult for me to say on my own initiative alone, that at the meeting of Convention at which the foregoing was read, it was most cordially suggested that the heartiest sympathy of the Convention be offered you on the passing on of the late King, Edward VII. He was such a preëminent lover and promoter of peace, without which no Christian efforts can thrive, that all the Churches will feel his loss severely. We trust the present King will be enabled to carry successfully forward his father's work.

In all love for our blessed Lord and His Church, with the most sincere good wishes for a happy and profitable Conference, and with the happiest memory of those attended by me while still a member of the Church in England.

I beg to remain, on behalf of the General Convention,

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. W. HARVEY.

"LEICESTER," NORTH RYDE, NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA,

October 29, 1909.

**ADDRESS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM IN THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE  
NEW CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA.**

DEAR BRETHREN: At our last Conference I was requested on behalf of the New Church in Australia to prepare an address conveying fraternal greeting to the American Convention. Being a layman, and having never before discharged a similar duty, I address myself to the task with considerable trepidation, and ask your kind forbearance for any errors into which I may fall. Still, as we worship the same Lord, are instructed by the same Word, and are called to face similar trials and difficulties, there should be no difficulty in expressing the fraternal sentiment.

Except as regards our common consolations and our common besetments, I apprehend that our external conditions differ widely from those which obtain in the United States, except, perhaps in the more distant territories. Australia is an immense continent, very thinly peopled. Our population per square mile is returned by the statisticians as only 1.27 person! Sydney and Melbourne are large cities, containing over half a million inhabitants each. But the distances

between the capitals of the six States are enormous, and there are very few towns of importance between them. Under these circumstances you will readily gather that the work of the Church is attended, so far as its organized aspect is concerned, with peculiar difficulty. Travelling is costly, and there are few opportunities for the interchange of thought, except such as are afforded by correspondence, and by our little monthly magazine, *The New Age*.

There are New-Church Societies at Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide, affiliated to the Australian Conference. There are also societies not as yet thus affiliated, at Perth, and at Auckland, New Zealand. The journey, by rail, from Sydney to Melbourne, takes seventeen hours; to Adelaide thirty-nine hours, and to Brisbane twenty-eight hours. The trip by steamer to Perth and Auckland is a still more arduous and expensive undertaking. There is therefore, little opportunity for active co-operation between the several Societies, each being mainly shut up to the obligation of keeping the sacred flame alive among its own members. In the cities I apprehend our circumstances may more nearly approach those of your own smaller Societies. Our members live at considerable distances apart. To meet at a common centre involves expenditure of time and money. Therefore, the social life of the Societies, which constitutes the greatest attraction for the young people, is curtailed, and they are very apt to enter into the social sphere of other religious Societies or bodies in their own neighborhood, where of course, they often find those with whom they have grown up at school. The membership of the Sydney Society is 87, Melbourne, 76, and Brisbane, 44. No figures for Adelaide are available at the present writing, but at the Conference in 1905, the number returned was 62. In all cases there is a large proportion of non-resident members. Our congregations therefore, are usually small, ranging perhaps, from 20 to 50.

Another feature in which our circumstances differ from yours is that there is not now in Australia any ordained New-Church minister. We have had the inestimable benefit of the services of such able men as the Revs. J. J. Thornton; (the late) E. G. Day; W. A. Bates; A. E. Beilby; and Percy Billings; but not one of them is now with us. The ordinances of the Church are now administered, to the best of their ability, by laymen, who have good reason to believe that their labors are not altogether fruitless or unblessed. It is obvious, however, that if some good is wrought in the intervals of time which can be spared from the claims of secular work, much greater good might be expected to accrue from the well-directed efforts of capable and energetic men, wholly devoted and set apart to the sacred work of maintaining "what is Divine" among the people. Some of our members are keenly alive to this need. Others seem to me to be somewhat too ready to acquiesce in the present state of affairs. There is with us, as, I believe, with you, a dread of "ecclesiasticism," and it sometimes threatens to become exaggerated. It is difficult, therefore, to secure that united effort which would be required to maintain devoted and efficient ministers, and provide them with the necessary funds for carrying on effective spiritual work.

I have given you these details in order that in some measure you may be able to understand our circumstances, and extend to us your fraternal sympathies

accordingly. On our part we may ungrudgingly acknowledge the valuable assistance which reaches us from your country in the form of literature, periodical and other. Since the removal to a higher sphere of the late Dr. Le Gay Breton, whose work "Genesis and the Beatitudes" (with his poetical works), is probably known to you, the Australian output of New-Church literature has been small. We derive, however, much comfort and enlightenment from American authors, too numerous to particularize, and from your high-class magazines, the *New-Church Review*, *Life*, the *Messenger*, and by no means least, the *Helper*. May the charity and enlightenment of your workers in these fields, and of those who are serving the Lord in any capacity whatsoever, however humble, be increased and multiplied; may we all be blessed in and by becoming blessings; and may the work of the Lord prosper among us all, until "the little one shall become a thousand, and the small one a strong nation."

Fraternally yours,

W. J. SPENCER, (*Lay President*.)

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ADDRESS TO THE INTERCOLONIAL ASSOCIATION OF THE NEW CHURCH IN  
AUSTRALIA FROM THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM  
IN THE UNITED STATES.

DEAR BRETHREN: The address to our body from your respected President, Mr. W. J. Spencer, has been heard by the Convention with deep interest and we gladly avail ourselves of the opportunity afforded by the interchange of an annual address to extend again to you our most cordial and sincere greeting in the charity and faith of the New Jerusalem.

The points referred to in your address, the one, that of the isolation of your Societies scattered as they are along the coast of your vast continent; the other, that of your small and slow growth as an organization, both appeal to us but in a way different, perhaps, from that of your own point of view. In the bigness of the distances that separate our societies, we can hardly concede the palm even to our Australian brethren, when it is remembered that a journey from one of our larger American Societies on the Atlantic coast to one on the Pacific, will consume about the same time as a voyage across the Atlantic to England or France; and even along the Pacific coast the societies from that in the extreme north in the border of Vancouver in British America to that on the South, close to the borders of Mexico, are distant by about a three days' journey. So that these societies alone on the Pacific coast would be a sufficient offset to the big territory of your intercolonial association, without touching the vast stretches of mountain and plain that extend over the continent to our eastern seaboard, and possess their widely scattered New-Church Societies either organized in Associations or embraced in the field of our Home Mission Board. There would be little profit in mentioning the facts of vast territorial domain were it

not that in the knowledge that we have of the principle that "all power is in ultimates," and that "in union there is strength," we may find cause for substantial encouragement in this very circumstance that our organizations are able to maintain themselves in the face of such a serious natural obstacle.

The facility of communication of thought eliminates distance to a large extent as affecting coöperation, and the difficulties to be overcome in preserving the unity among our various bodies may be found to become more of a mental than of a physical character; but even these difficulties let us trust, the good and sincere endeavor on the part of all who desire the peace of Jerusalem may, under the gracious guidance and inspiration of the Lord, be enabled to overcome, so far as real separation is concerned; so that only the distinction and variety shall remain that "like the jewels in the King's crown" add to the real beauty and glory of the Lord's New Church.

As to the other point mentioned in your esteemed address, namely, the dread of "ecclesiasticism" which with you makes it "difficult to secure the united efforts which would be required to maintain devoted and efficient ministers," we are glad to assure you that experience has taught us, as well as the testimony of the growth of the New Church during its first century, that a well-ordered ministry such as the doctrines of the New Church clearly define, is so essential to the wholesome and steady growth of the New Church as an organization, that without it — as in countries on the continent of Europe where practically such an ecclesiastical organization has been until recently impossible, the New-Church movement has not reached beyond the functions of a literary propaganda. The dread of "ecclesiasticism" if it ever existed in the Convention, — an organized body which assigns to its ministers, under its constitution "the administering of things which are of Divine law and worship," — is happily changing into the more profitable dread of anything tending to the dominion of self-love whether in minister or in layman, and to a willingness to judge and value the order of the sacred ministry, as every other order of workers, according to the use they perform. Whatever wide differences of opinion may exist among our brethren individually as to the real nature of the church, and as to its true order as viewed theoretically, practically the strong union of sentiment and endeavor in favor of a specially trained and ordained ministry is clearly shown in the prominence among the uses of the Convention, of the Theological School for the training of ministers, and the comparatively large means put at its disposal for this purpose.

There would seem to be much in common between your great continent and our own country as regards the freedom from the control of past traditions, and the vast opening afforded for new experiments and new enterprises of every kind. But may it not be that in the breaking up of old establishments, and the vastation of old beliefs the real mission of the New Church will prove to be the conservative one of preserving undisturbed the great foundations of religion and of society, and that to accomplish this mission the church is to be on her guard not to be led away from the landmarks of her heaven-given religion, but to stand faithfully to them as a sacred trust for humanity not only for to-day but for the future.

The occurrence of the Swedenborg Congress in London this summer in com-

memorating the centenary of the Swedenborg Society, to whom under the Divine Providence the New Church throughout the world is so largely indebted, will enable the delegates of our two bodies to meet and greet each other, and also help in many ways to realize the solidarity of the New Church throughout the world, and the possibility of our working together in many ways in promoting the descent to earth of the Holy City the New Jerusalem to be truly the tabernacle of God with men.

In the happy anticipation of this meeting and with our prayer for the Divine blessing upon your united body, I am in behalf of the General Convention.

Fraternally and sincerely yours,

FRANK SEWALL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29, 1910.

## **Copy of Act of Incorporation.**

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*An Act to Incorporate the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America.*

**SECTION 1.**—*Be it enacted by the people of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, that Rev. Thomas Worcester, D. D., of Boston, Mass., Rev. J. R. Hibbard, of Chicago, Ill., Rev. T. B. Hayward, of Brookline, Mass., Robert L. Smith, Esq., of Jamaica, L. I., N. Y., J. Young Scammon, Esq., of Chicago, and I. S. Britton, Esq., of Springfield, Ill., Hon John B. Niles, of La Porte, Ind., Dr. Charles Shepherd, of Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. Chauncey Giles, of Cincinnati, Ohio, David Snyder, Esq., of Philadelphia, Penn., N. F. Cabell, Esq., of Warminster, Va., Hon. John H. Wilkins and Sampson Reed, of Boston, Mass., Oliver Gerrish, of Portland, and Henry B. Hoskins, of Gardiner, Me., their associates and successors, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate, under the name of “The General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America”; under which name they shall have perpetual succession with power to receive, take by gift, purchase, devise, or otherwise, property and estate, real, personal, or mixed, for educational or religious purposes, and to hold, lease, and sell or convey the same at pleasure.*

**SECTION 2.**—*The business affairs of said Convention shall be managed and controlled by its Executive Committee (or General Council), subject to the direction of the Convention when in session. Said Committee (or Council) shall be chosen or appointed, from time to time, in such manner as the Constitution of such Convention may direct, and shall be governed by the Constitution of such Convention, and act in conformity to its votes. Said Committee (or Council) may create such offices, and appoint such officers, as they may see fit, and remove the same at pleasure; and may manage its business affairs in such manner as a majority of said Committee (or Council) may determine, subject to the control of the Convention.*

**SECTION 3.**—*Said Convention may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend in all courts and places, in its corporate name, by attorney or otherwise. All deeds, conveyances, or leases of the property held by said Convention, for the purpose of leasing or conveying such property, shall be made under the hands of the President and Recording Secretary, and under such seal as said Executive Committee (or General Council) may adopt; but all such deeds must be approved by a majority of said Committee (or Council).*

**SECTION 4.**—*All gifts, devises, or bequests made to said Convention, shall be used for educational or religious purposes; or the proceeds thereof, if sold, or disposed of, shall be so applied.*

**SECTION 5.**—*Nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to interfere with the right of said Convention to alter, amend, or abolish its Constitution, or to form a new one, whenever it shall see fit to do so.*

**APPROVED,** January 29, 1861.

## Constitution

### OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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#### ARTICLE I.—*Name.*

THIS Body shall be called the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and shall consist of all who acknowledge the doctrines of the New Jerusalem as revealed by the Lord from His Word in the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, and who unite with this Body in performing the uses of the General Church.

#### ARTICLE II.—*Meetings, etc.*

SECTION 1.—Meetings of this Body shall be held at least triennially, at such times and places as it may determine.

SECTION 2.—All members of the Convention shall have right to be present at its meetings, and to take part in the deliberations; they may also be appointed upon committees and elected to office. But the right to vote shall be limited to ministers whose official acts are reported to the Convention, and the delegates of Associations and other bodies of the Church connected with the Convention. But this section shall not affect the rights of the present elected members of the General Convention, until the Societies with which they may be connected become members thereof, or of some Association belonging to it.

SECTION 3.—Every Association or other body of the Church connected with this Convention shall be entitled to two delegates, and an additional delegate for every fifty members.

#### ARTICLE III.—*Officers.*

The Officers of the Convention shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by ballot, and hold their offices until their successors are chosen; a Council of Ministers, consisting of all the ministers belonging to the Convention, of whom twelve shall constitute a quorum; and a General Council, consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretaries, and Treasurer, together with four ministers and six laymen, to be chosen by ballot by the Convention.

#### ARTICLE IV.—*Duties, etc.*

The President, Vice-President, Secretaries, and Treasurer shall perform the duties implied by the names of their several offices, and such other duties as the Convention may require of them. The General Council shall have superintendence of the business of the Convention, and shall exercise the powers of the Convention in the interim of its meetings. The Council of Ministers shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the ministry, subject to the provisions of this Constitution.

**ARTICLE V.—*The Priesthood or Ministry.*****PREAMBLE.**

"There are things of two kinds which must be in order among men, namely, those that are of heaven, and those that are of the world : those that are of heaven are called ecclesiastical, and those that are of the world are called civil.

"Order cannot be maintained in the world without rulers, who shall observe all things that are done according to order, and those done contrary to order ; and shall reward them that live according to order, and punish them that live contrary to order. If this be not done, the human race must perish ; for it is innate in every one by inheritance to desire to rule over others, and to possess the goods of others ; whence come enmities, envyings, hatreds, revenges, deceits, cruelties, and many other evils : wherefore, unless men were held in check by laws, and by rewards suited to their loves, which are honors and gains for them that do good ; and by punishments contrary to those loves, which are the loss of honor, of possessions, and of life for them that do evil ; the human race would perish.

"There must therefore be rulers to keep associations of men in order, who should be skilled in the laws, wise, and fearing God. There must also be order among the rulers, lest any, from caprice or inexperience, should permit evils against order, and so destroy it : which is guarded against when there are higher and lower rulers, among whom there is subordination.

"Rulers over the things among men which relate to heaven, or over ecclesiastical affairs, are called priests, and their office the priesthood. But rulers over the things among men which relate to the world, or civil affairs, are called magistrates, and their chief, where there is such a form of government, is called a king.

"With respect to priests, they must teach men the way to heaven, and also lead them ; they must teach them according to the doctrine of their Church from the Word, and lead them to live according to it. Priests who teach truths, and thereby lead to good of life, and so to the Lord, are good shepherds of the sheep ; but they that teach, and do not lead to good of life, and so to the Lord, are evil shepherds.

"Priests must not claim to themselves any power over the souls of men, because they do not know in what state the interiors of a man are ; still less ought they to claim the power of opening and shutting heaven, since that power belongs to the Lord alone.

"Priests should have dignity and honor on account of the holy things which they administer ; but they that are wise give the honor to the Lord, from whom are the holy things, and not to themselves ; while they that are not wise, ascribe honor to themselves. These take it away from the Lord. Those that ascribe honor to themselves, on account of the holy things which they administer, prefer honor and gain to the salvation of souls, which they ought to provide for ; but those that give the honor to the Lord, and not to themselves, prefer the salvation of souls to honor and gain. The honor of any employment is not in the person, but is adjoined to him according to the dignity of the thing which he administers ; and what is adjoined does not belong to the person himself, and is also separated with the employment. Personal honor is the honor of wisdom and of the fear of the Lord.

"Priests must teach the people and lead them by means of truths to good of life; but still they must not force any one; since no one can be forced to believe contrary to what he thinks from his heart to be true. He who believes otherwise than the priest, and makes no disturbance, ought to be left in peace; but he who makes disturbance must be separated; for this also is according to order, for the sake of which the priesthood exists.

"As priests are appointed to administer the things which are of Divine law and worship, so kings and magistrates are appointed to administer the things which are of civil law and judgment."—H. D., nos. 311-319.

SECTION 1.—A member of the New Church pursuing in a Theological School of the New Church, or under the instruction of a pastor, a preparatory course of study, may, on presenting to the Presiding Minister of an Association or of the General Convention the recommendation of the Principal of such school, or of such pastor, become a candidate for the ministry, and after suitable preparation, be authorized as such by the Presiding Minister to lead in worship, to teach the doctrines of the Church, to lecture, and to officiate at funerals, such authorization to be renewed annually so long as continued; and all such services shall be performed under the supervision of such Presiding Minister or Principal, or a pastor appointed for the purpose; and the provisions of this clause may also apply by vote of the General Convention or of an Association to others than candidates for the ministry.

SECTION 2.—A member of the Church who has been a candidate for a suitable term, may, with the sanction of the General Convention or of an Association be ordained into the ministry, with such powers as the General Convention or Association shall prescribe.

SECTION 3.—A minister who has been invited by a society to become its pastor, may, on presentation of the proper credentials to the Presiding Minister, be installed into the pastoral office, with power, if not previously conferred, to administer the Sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Supper, and to consecrate marriages.

SECTION 4.—A pastor, after a suitable term in the pastoral office, may, by request of an Association, and with the sanction of the General Convention, be invested with the office of General Pastor, with power to authorize candidates, ordain ministers, and preside over a general body of the Church, while acting as Presiding Minister of any Association, or of the General Convention; or an Association may, with the sanction of the General Convention, temporarily invest the powers of General Pastor in its Presiding Minister, or Superintendent, during his continuance in office; provided that the adoption of these rules shall not affect the status of existing ministers, and that those who have been consecrated as Ordaining Ministers shall be classed as General Pastors.

SECTION 5.—A minister ordained by authority of the Convention, or one reporting to and acting under the rules of the Convention, shall be considered a minister and member of the Convention, and subject to its jurisdiction, until his connection therewith shall be severed by voluntary act on his part, or by authority of the Convention.

**ARTICLE VI.**

Corporations, Boards, and Trustees, constituted for general uses to the Church, and desiring to coöperate with the Convention, may receive such recognition and supervision as may be determined, in conformity with the laws of the States in which they legally exist.

**ARTICLE VII.—*Amendments.***

This Constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Convention, by a two-thirds vote; provided, that the proposed amendment shall first be referred to the General Council or the Council of Ministers, and public notice of the substance thereof shall have been given at least six months before the time of such meeting; which notice may be dispensed with for any special occasion by a three-fourths vote of the Convention.

## By-Laws of the General Convention.

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**SECTION 1.**—The meetings of the Convention shall be opened by the reading of the Word and prayer, every morning.

**SECTION 2.**—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered on the Sabbath included in the session of the Convention.

**SECTION 3.**—A Committee on Credentials, to consist of three persons, shall be appointed at the opening of each meeting of the Convention, to examine the credentials of the delegates, and make up the Roll of the Convention; said Committee to sit during the whole of that meeting, and to add to and correct the Roll, as may be proper.

**SECTION 4.**—All receivers of the doctrines of the New Church, who are in attendance at any session of the Convention, are invited to take seats in the meeting and inscribe their names and residences in a register to be kept for that purpose, at each meeting of the Convention; and such registry shall entitle them to participate in its deliberations.

This By-Law shall be read by the Secretary immediately after the opening of each session of the Convention.

**SECTION 5.**—Immediately after the appointment of the Committee on Credentials, Reports and Communications shall be presented in the following order:—

1. Address of the President.
2. Report of the Secretaries.
3. Report of the Treasurer.
4. Report of the General Council.
5. Report of the Board of Publication.
6. Report of the Corporation of the Theological School.
7. Report of the Treasurer of the Theological-School Fund.
8. Report of the Board of Managers of the Theological School.
9. Report of the Trustees of the Building Fund.
10. Report of the Trustee of the Rice Legacy.
11. Report of the Trustees of the Rotch Legacy.
12. Report of the Council of Ministers.
13. Report of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.
14. Report of the Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's manuscripts.
15. Report of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association.
16. Reports of Associations in alphabetical order.
17. Reports of Societies.
18. Reports of General Pastors and Ministers.
19. Special Reports.
20. Unfinished Business.
21. New Business.

When any report called for is not ready, its presentation shall be postponed until all other regular reports have been presented in their order. This rule shall not apply to the report of the General Council, which may be presented as soon as prepared.

No debate shall be allowed on any of the above reports until all of them have been presented; but a motion to refer, or to adopt a recommendation, without debate, shall be in order.

The above Order of Business may be suspended at any time by a two-thirds vote.

SECTION 6.—The rules and regulations which obtain in deliberative assemblies generally, are adopted by the Convention until otherwise ordered.

SECTION 7.—No member shall speak more than five minutes at one time, nor more than twice upon any subject, without the consent or leave of the Convention.

SECTION 8.—When a report is presented, it shall be regarded as received, unless objected to. If objected to, the question of its reception shall be taken. But its acceptance expresses no approval of its contents.

SECTION 9.—The *yeas* and *nays* shall be taken whenever they are called for by one-fifth of the persons voting.

SECTION 10.—Application for the ordination of Ministers, or the investiture of General Pastors, or other matters relating to the office of the ministry, may be first received and considered by the Council of Ministers without previous reference by the Convention.

SECTION 11.—The application of an Association or other body of the Church to be received by this Body and represented in the General Convention, may be made through the General Council, and upon their recommendation shall come before the Convention. When the convention has voted to receive such Association or other body, the President shall announce the names of its delegates, and invite them to come forward. He shall then inform them of the vote of the Convention, and, all the members of the Convention rising, he shall give the delegates the right hand of fellowship, and welcome them to all the privileges enjoyed by other delegates.

SECTION 12.—The President shall present an address at each meeting of the Convention, setting forth the condition and wants of the Convention.

SECTION 13.—The President shall from time to time address the General Conference of the New Church in Great Britain, and other general bodies of the Church, or appoint some person or persons to do so.

SECTION 14.—All addresses ordered by the Convention to go forth in its name shall first be submitted to the Convention or the General Council for adoption.

SECTION 15.—The Board of Publication shall make its annual report to the Convention, in print, as early as the second day of the session of the Convention, embracing all matters intended to be brought by it before that body for its action.

SECTION 16.—It shall be the duty of the Secretaries to attend at the opening of each session of the Convention, and to bring with them the Book of Records, the Journals of the Convention, and such papers as may be in their possession relating to unfinished or other business likely to come before the Convention; and the Treasurer is authorized to audit their accounts for travelling expenses, and to pay the same.

SECTION 17.—The two Secretaries of the Convention shall constitute a Committee on the Journal, whose duty it shall be to procure the publication of the Journal entire as recorded, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention or the General Council; and such reports or other documents received by the Convention, not ordered to be printed by the Convention, as they may deem useful; with such number of copies for distribution as the Committee shall judge necessary.

All reports of Associations, Societies, General Pastors, and unattached Ministers, shall be sent to the Secretaries at least four weeks previous to the meeting of the Convention, and shall be prepared by the Secretaries and presented to the Convention in print. Copies shall also be mailed to the Ministers and Associations ten days prior to the opening of the Convention. So far as possible, the following reports shall also be printed and distributed with them, namely, the reports of the Secretaries, Treasurer, Auditors of Account of Treasurer, Board of Publication, Corporation of the Theological School, Treasurer of the Theological School, Trustees of the New-Church Building Fund, Trustee of the Rice Legacy, Trustees of the Rotch Legacy, Board of Home and Foreign Missions, Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts, Trustees of the Jungerich Fund, Committee to Audit Accounts of the Jungerich Fund, Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund, Trustees of the National Church at Washington, D. C., Committee on Transportation, Trustees of the Pension Fund. They shall condense and tabulate all reports and documents which are entitled to a place in the Journal, as far as is consistent with giving the substance of the proceedings; they shall revise the List of Societies appended to the Journal; and prepare, from the statistics of the several Associations, or other collective bodies of the Church, a table of the representatives to which the Associations respectively are entitled. For the expenses of printing the Journal, the Committee may draw on the Treasurer for any unappropriated funds in his hands.

SECTION 18.—The Secretaries shall, under the direction of the President, distribute to the ministers, Societies, and Associations belonging to this Convention, the Minutes of the General Conference of the New Church in Great Britain, and other documents sent to this Convention, as soon as received. They shall also under the direction of the President distribute copies of the Journal of the Convention to foreign bodies or persons abroad.

SECTION 19.—Meetings of the General Council may be called by the President, Secretaries, or any three members thereof, upon giving thirty days' notice by letter, the time to be computed from the mailing of the letter; and at all meetings of said Council, seven shall constitute a quorum. No appropriation of a larger sum of money than two hundred dollars shall be made by said Council, unless a majority of the members thereof assent thereto; and no portion of the principal of the Rice Fund shall be appropriated by the Council; nor shall any appropriation be made by said Council at any time, beyond the amount in the treasury available for the purposes of the appropriation.

SECTION 20.—All Committees shall be nominated by the President of the Convention, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, or provided in the Constitution; but the Vice-President may appoint committees in the President's absence.

SECTION 21.—The President and Vice-President are authorized to fill vacancies on any committee, or to appoint any committees that may have been overlooked, and to send their names to the Secretaries for publication in the Journal. All officers and committees shall report in writing to the Convention at each session. The Council of Ministers and the General Council shall report all their doings to the Convention.

**SECTION 22.**—There shall be a Board of Home and Foreign Missions, consisting of the President of the Convention and of eighteen other members, nine of whom shall be ministers and nine laymen, to be elected by the General Convention. When the Board is elected the members shall divide themselves into three classes by lot, numbered, *one, two, three*; the first of which shall serve one year, the second two years, and the third three years; and thereafter six members shall be elected annually by the General Convention, or the General Council, to serve three years. Seven members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

**SECTION 23.**—At each meeting of the Convention, or as soon thereafter as possible, the President shall also appoint a committee of five persons, to be called the Committee on Business, at least three of whom shall be from the Association where the next Convention is to be held which shall prepare for the next meeting thereof and shall have charge of the general business of the Convention, and the duty of which shall be to assign the order under which different subjects shall be presented to the Convention and the time to be allotted to each subject, and to prepare and print the program of that meeting of the Convention, but such program may be changed at any time by the Convention.

All new business, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, shall take the form of a notice of motion, and shall be referred directly to this committee, without debate, to assign a time for its consideration.

**SECTION 24.**—A Board of twelve Managers shall be appointed by the Convention, to which Board shall be entrusted the care and conduct of the Theological School. When the Board is elected, the members shall divide themselves into three classes by lot, numbered *one, two, three*; the first of which will serve one year, the second two years, and the third three years; and thereafter four members shall be elected annually, by the Convention or the General Council, to serve three years. These twelve Managers shall elect the President of the Theological School, who shall thereupon become, *ex-officio*, a member of the Board.

**SECTION 25.**—Every minister ordained by authority of the Convention, and not connected with an Association or other collective body acting under the rules of the Convention, shall report his official acts to the Convention annually. Whenever such minister, so ordained, shall neglect to make a report to the Convention as aforesaid, he shall be notified of such neglect by the Secretary of the Council of Ministers. After notification and failure to report for three years, his name may be stricken from the Roll of Ministers, after the fact has been certified by the Council to the Convention. In case a minister shall desire to be reinstated after his name has been stricken from the Roll, he shall make application to the Convention, which shall be referred to the Council of Ministers, which shall report thereon to the Convention. The Council of Ministers shall from time to time revise the list of the ministers, and report the same to the Convention.

**SECTION 26.**—All communications addressed to the Convention during the interim between its sessions, shall be sent to the President or Secretaries.

**SECTION 27.**—The Treasurer is authorized to audit the account of the President for travelling expenses in connection with each session of the Convention, and to pay the same, and also the expenses of the Secretary of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions and of the Council of Ministers.

**SECTION 28.**—The Constitution and Act of Incorporation shall be reprinted with each Journal.

## Standing Recommendations.

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*To Associations, etc.*

1. EACH Association, or other collective body of the Church, is requested to report annually a list of its ministers.
2. The Convention recommends to the several Associations composing this body that, as far as they are able, they sustain their General Pastor or Presiding Minister in the general work of the Church in their Associations; and when one Association is unable to support a General Pastor, entirely or in part, that adjoining Associations unite in the support of a General Pastor. (Journal of 1875, Minute 66.)
3. Associations are recommended to make such specific rules, under the general rules for the regulation of the ministry, as they may consider necessary or desirable.
4. Associations are requested to furnish the Secretaries with copies of all their printed Journals of past years, and also copies of their future proceedings, from time to time, as they may be published. (Journal of 1900, Minute 163.)

*To Isolated Societies.*

5. To establish a Sabbath school and to give it watchful care, in which the truths of the Church shall be distinctly taught.
6. To adopt as rules of discipline, or laws of charity, what is taught by the Lord in MATT. v. 23, 24, and xviii. 15-17.
7. To establish free libraries of the theological works of Swedenborg for loan to all who are interested.

*To Ministers.*

8. If not connected with any Association, or other collective body reporting to the Convention, to report to the Convention at each session, stating where they are employed, and for what portion of the time.
9. To keep a record of the names, ages, residences, etc., of all persons baptized by them.

*To the Standing Committee of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association.*

10. To report annually to the Convention such statistics and such action by the Association as may be of general interest.

*As to Meetings of Convention.*

11. That hereafter the meetings of the Convention shall be held at some date not including Decoration Day or the first of the month. (Journal of 1903, Minute 133.)

## Act of Incorporation and By-Laws of the New-Church Theological School.

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### ACT OF INCORPORATION.

No. 1325.

*Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

BE IT KNOWN, That whereas Francis Phelps, David L. Webster, Albert Mason, George Ropes, John Worcester, James Reed, and Edward A. Whiston have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, for the purpose of the maintenance of a theological school for the ecclesiastical body known as the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and have complied with the provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of the President, Treasurer, and Directors of said corporation, duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations, and recorded in this office:

Now, THEREFORE, I, HENRY B. PEIRCE, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that said Francis Phelps, David L. Webster, Albert Mason, George Ropes, John Worcester, James Reed, and Edward A. Whiston, their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as and are hereby made an existing corporation under the name of the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, with the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties, and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

WITNESS my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed this seventeenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

HENRY B. PEIRCE,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

### BY-LAWS.

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#### I.

#### MEMBERS.

Any male member of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, or of any Association or Society connected therewith, may become a member of this Corporation by signing these By-Laws; and shall cease to be a member thereof upon ceasing to have the qualification above named, or upon filing with the clerk a written withdrawal of membership.

## II.

## OFFICERS.

The officers of this Corporation shall be a President, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Board of Directors which shall consist of three until the first annual meeting, and thereafter shall consist of fifteen.

## III.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Corporation and of the Board of Directors, and in his absence a chairman shall be elected by those present. On or before the April meeting of the Directors, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three to bring in a list of nominations of officers of the Corporation for the following year, to be presented at the annual meeting.

The Clerk shall keep the records of the Corporation and of the Board of Directors, and shall give notice of all meetings of both. He shall, immediately after each annual meeting of the Corporation, transmit to the Secretary of said General Convention a copy of the Treasurer's annual report.

The Treasurer shall, under the direction of the Board of Directors, receive, hold, and disburse all money of the Corporation; and shall have, subject to such direction, the custody and care of all the funds, securities, and property of the Corporation. He shall report to the Corporation each year at the annual meeting.

The Board of Directors shall manage all the business of the Corporation, and five Directors shall constitute a quorum of the Board after the first annual meeting of the Corporation. The Board of Directors shall report to the Corporation each year at the annual meeting.

## IV.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Clerk, Treasurer, and Board of Directors shall be elected by ballot by the Corporation at its annual meeting; and the Board of Directors shall elect by ballot one of their number President of the Corporation. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors, or in any office of the Corporation, may be filled temporarily by the Board of Directors until the next meeting of the Corporation.

## V.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in Boston, on such day in the month of May or June of each year, and at such hour, as the Board of Directors shall appoint; and notice of the time and place of meeting shall be published in the *New-Jerusalem Messenger*, if said paper is then published, at least one month before the time of meeting. Ten members of the Corporation shall constitute a quorum.

VI.

MANAGEMENT OF THE SCHOOL.

The Theological School maintained by this Corporation, as to the appointment of teachers, regulation of the course of study and all matters of control, except the establishment of salaries and the expenditure of money, shall be under the direction of a Board of Managers, to be elected by the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America. This article shall be amended only by a unanimous vote at an annual meeting of the Corporation, the notice for which shall contain the specific amendment proposed.

VII.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws, except Article VI., may be amended at any annual meeting of the Corporation by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided the notice for such meeting shall contain the amendment proposed.

## Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws of The New-Church Board of Publication.

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### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

The undersigned, Albert Mason, Charles C. Bonney, Samuel S. Seward, Governor P. Lowrey, William W. Niles, Samuel S. Carpenter, Francis J. Worcester, do hereby certify:

1. That they are persons of full age and citizens of the United States, and that a majority of them are citizens of and residents within the State of New York.
2. That they desire to associate themselves and form a Society for benevolent, charitable, literary, and missionary purposes, and for the furtherance of religious opinion, pursuant to the requirements of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled "An Act for the Incorporation of Benevolent, Charitable, Scientific, and Missionary Societies, passed April 12, 1848, and the several Acts amendatory thereof."
3. That the name or title by which such Society shall be known in law is THE NEW-CHURCH BOARD OF PUBLICATION.
4. That the business of such Society is to be conducted, and the principal place of business is to be, in the city and county of New York.
5. That the particular business and objects of such Society are to be the furtherance of religious opinion by the publication, sale, and distribution of books and periodicals, more especially the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, and such other works as may be deemed useful in diffusing a knowledge of said writings, and establishing and maintaining a printing-office and bookstore for the publication, sale, and distribution of such books and periodicals.
6. That such Society also intends to undertake certain benevolent, charitable, literary, and missionary work in connection with the publication and distribution of such books and periodicals, and will do and transact such other and incidental business as may be necessary or expedient to enable it to conduct and maintain such printing-office and bookstore to advantage in carrying out the objects of the Society. This Corporation is formed at the instance of the religious body known as the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and so far as the laws of the State of New York may now or hereafter permit, without prejudice to its corporate rights or franchises, this Corporation shall act as the publication agent and trustee of said Convention.
7. That the number of Directors to manage the affairs of the Society is twenty.
8. That the names of the Directors of such Society for the first year of its existence are as follows, namely: Samuel S. Seward, William B. Hayden, James Reed, Jabez Fox, Chancery Giles, John R. Hibbard, Louis H. Tafel, Albinus F. Frost, Frank Sewall, Warren Goddard, Jr., Royal M. Pulsifer, David L. Webster, Mor-

daunt Bodine, Henry W. Guernsey, G. Woolworth Colton, Francis J. Worcester, Charles H. Allen, James M. Hill, Richard A. Lewis, Henry C. Spencer.

Witness our several signatures as of the tenth day of January, 1883:

ALBERT MASON,  
CHARLES C. BONNEY,  
SAMUEL S. SEWARD,  
GROSVENOR P. LOWREY,  
W. W. NILES,  
SAMUEL S. CARPENTER,  
FRANCIS J. WORCESTER.

(Acknowledgments omitted.)

(Endorsed) I approve of the form and sufficiency of the within certificate, and consent that the same be filed in the proper offices.

ABRAHAM R. LAURENCE, *J. S. C.*

Filed in New-York County Clerk's Office, April 9, 1883.

Filed in Secretary of State's Office, Albany, April 10, 1883.

#### BY-LAWS.

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##### MEMBERSHIP.

ART. 1. Any adult male may become a member of this Society by a unanimous vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Society, or any adjournment thereof, upon signing the roll of membership; or on presenting a certificate signed by one of the Secretaries of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America that he has been chosen as a suitable person to become a member by vote of the General Convention, or of its Executive Committee, and signing the roll of membership.

##### OFFICERS.

ART. 2. The officers of this Society shall consist of a Board of Directors, numbering twenty, who shall at their first meeting divide themselves into four classes of five each, and the term of office of the several classes shall successively expire in one, two, three, and four years, and at every annual meeting after the first the Society shall elect five of its members as Directors to serve for four years and until their successors are chosen.

The Directors shall have power to fill vacancies in any class, and the terms of Directors so chosen shall expire with the term of the class in which the vacancies so filled occur.

The Directors shall elect annually by ballot from among their number a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be the President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Society; and the Directors may at any time fill vacancies in these offices, and also appoint other officers of the Society and fix their compensation.

## OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY.

ART. 3. It shall be the aim of the Society to carry out the views and wishes of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, as far as it is possible to do so, both in the care and disbursement of funds entrusted to the Society by the said Convention, and by having the character of its publishing work such as shall meet the approval of the said Convention, as said approval may be manifested by the said Convention by means of a committee for the purpose, or otherwise.

## AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.

ART. 4. By-Laws numbers 1 to 4, both inclusive, can only be amended by the unanimous vote of all the members present at a special or annual meeting, and the alteration shall not take effect until the consent in writing of three-fourths of the Directors of the Corporation shall have been obtained. All other By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a majority vote.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. 5. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Board of Directors, and in his absence a Chairman shall be elected by those present. The Secretary shall keep the roll of membership and records of the Society and of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall have general charge and supervision of its property and business, subject at all times to the direction of the Society.

The Treasurer shall have, under the direction of the Board of Directors, the custody and care of all the funds of the Society, and his accounts shall be kept in books which belong to and remain the property of the Society.

## QUORUM.

ART. 6. Six members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the Corporation except at the annual meeting, when the members present shall constitute a quorum.

Four members shall be a quorum at meetings of the Board of Directors.

## MEETINGS.

ART. 7. The annual meeting shall be held in the city of New York on the second Wednesday in May, unless otherwise determined by the Directors or by a vote of the Corporation. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to mail to each Director and to the members of the Corporation, a notice of the annual meeting ten days in advance; such notice to be published in the *New-Jerusalem Messenger* at least two weeks before said meeting.

Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or by any five members upon like notice.

## ANNUAL REPORT.

ART. 8. The Corporation shall annually make a report of its work to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America.

## Invested Funds of the General Convention.

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### FUNDDED BEQUESTS, LEGACIES, AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

**WILKINS FUND.**— Legacy of John H. Wilkins, of Massachusetts, received June 7, 1864, \$3,000, increased by change of securities to \$3,768.75.

Income to be appropriated to Educational and Missionary purposes.

Income to be divided equally between the Board of Missions and the Theological School. (*JOURNAL*, 1897, Minute 70.)

**WALES FUND.**— Bequest of Martin Wales, of Massachusetts, received Dec. 7, 1875, \$5,000. No restrictions.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 98.)

**RICHARDS FUND.**— Bequest of Giles Richards, of Ohio, received April 27, 1877, \$1,000. To be invested in securities of the United States or the State of New York.

Income to be applied in augmentation of the Fund for printing and publishing in connection with the General Convention, wherever such printing and publishing is carried on.

Payable to New-Church Board of Publication. (*JOURNAL*, 1877, Minute 95.)

**JENKINS FUND.**— Legacy of Eliza Jenkins, of Massachusetts, received Sept. 17, 1877, \$2,000. No restrictions.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 98.)

**SIMPKINS FUND.**— Legacy of N. S. Simpkins, Jr., of New York, received July, 1887, \$20,000 in Bonds of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, which matured and were paid July 1, 1900.

Income to be applied for the use and benefit of such Theological school as is now or may hereafter be conducted by said Corporation.

**EMILY S. WHITE FUND.**— Gift by Mrs. White, of Ohio (see *JOURNAL*, 1882, Minute 62.)

House and land which were sold for \$4,500 and the proceeds invested for the purpose of creating a fund to be used under the direction of the Convention in printing, publishing, or circulating the Theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg.

Applied to publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts. (*JOURNAL*, 1898, Minute 52.)

FUND FOR PHOTO-LITHOGRAPHING THE MANUSCRIPTS OF SWEDENBORG.  
— Collected by subscriptions, by order of the Convention, June 11, 1887.  
Amount of Fund, May 1, 1910, \$2,521.97.

NATIONAL CHURCH AT WASHINGTON, D. C. — Built at the southeast corner of Sixteenth and Corcoran Streets, under the supervision of a National Committee appointed in 1889, to take charge of the building of a house of Worship in the city of Washington; authorized to raise funds for the object, to act as trustees of the property in the name of the Convention, and to fill vacancies in their number in conference with, and with the approval of, the President and Secretaries of the Convention. — JOURNAL, 1889, Minute 48.

Carried upon the books of the Treasurer as a non-interest bearing asset of Convention at a valuation of \$100,000. — JOURNAL 1908, Minute 94.

BISSELL FUND. — By the will of Martin C. Bissell of Joliet, Ill., the testator gave all his estate to trustees to pay, —

1. A number of pecuniary legacies to certain persons therein named.
2. To set apart \$17,000 for the erection of a house of worship at Joliet, Ill.
3. To pay an annuity of \$200 for the benefit of the *New-Church Independent and Monthly Review*.
4. To pay an annuity of \$800 for the maintenance of public worship in the city of Joliet.
5. To pay an annuity of \$1,200 to the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia.
6. To pay an annuity of \$1,200 to the General Convention for publishing New-Church doctrines and literature.

All said annuities were to continue for twenty years next following his death.

By the seventh section of the fourth item of his will, the testator directed that at the end of said twenty years all his estate should be converted by his trustees into ready money or its equivalent, and out of these proceeds to pay, —

1. To the New-Church Association within whose bounds the city of Joliet should then be embraced, the sum of \$25,000 for supporting the preaching of the New-Church doctrine in said locality.
2. To pay to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America the sum of \$60,000 in trust for the following purposes, namely, one-half for the use of the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia, and the other half to be used under the direction of the Convention for publishing New-Church doctrines and literature, or else for such charities of the New Church as said Convention in its wisdom may think best to apply it.

He then gave all the residue of his estate to the Convention in trust for general religious purposes in keeping with the New-Church doctrines, all lap-

sing legacies to go to the Convention, thus making the Convention his full residuary legatee and trustee.

Mr. Bissell died May 20, 1888.

Immediately upon the presentation of his will for probate, suits were commenced to break the same, and claims of various kinds entered against the estate, which involved expensive litigation and a reduction of the principal considerably below the estimated value at the time of Mr. Bissell's death.

The income of certain quarry property supposed to have good productive capacity also rapidly diminished, and it then became apparent that the design of the testator for the holding of the property for twenty years and the payment of said annuities could not be carried out.

The debts by the estate as well as the pecuniary legacies and allowed expenses having been settled, it was considered best by the parties interested in the estate that the trust should be closed and the remainder of the estate turned over to the Convention.

An agreement was accordingly entered into by the annuitants and final legatees providing for a cash payment of \$1,000 to the *New-Church Independent* and a distribution of the remaining property upon the basis of an estimated cash value thereof of \$80,000 as follows: Forty-eighths (40-80) to the Convention, twenty-one eightieths (21-80) to the Illinois Association, and nineteen eightieths (19-80) to the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia. In 1908, the assessed value of the estate was over \$91,000.

This agreement was submitted to the Circuit Court in 1897, and in 1898 was finally ratified, with a provision, however, making the Convention a trustee of the sum of \$17,000, and its future accumulations at 5 per cent., for the protection of the trust in the will which provided for the erection of a house of worship at Joliet, Ill., the decree further requiring that a sufficient portion of the best productive real estate should be held by the Convention as trustee for this purpose, the same to be of sufficient value to guarantee the payment of the said sum of \$17,000, and accumulations, until the end of the original twenty years, to wit, May 12, 1908. As the capital thus pledged is sufficient to secure this end, the income can be enjoyed by the Convention under its agreement with its co-beneficiaries ad interim.

A full and complete report of the Committee appointed to make settlement with the executor of Mr. Bissell, which includes also a copy of his will and an inventory of the estate turned over to the Convention, will be found in the report of the General Council on pages 57 to 71 inclusive, *JOURNAL*, 1899. See also the reports of the Treasurer of the Convention since that date.

**SOPHIA W. HAYDEN FUND.** — The Legacy received from Mrs. Sophia W. Hayden was devised in the following terms: —

“To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and its successors forever, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, to be by it funded and the income therefrom to be employed as follows, namely: —

“The income of One Thousand Dollars to be devoted to the cause of New-Church Missions in foreign countries; the income of One Thousand Dollars to be devoted annually to the cause of New-Church Home Missionary work; and the income of the remaining One Thousand Dollars to be applied to any of the general uses or expenses of the Convention as it may determine.”

**EDWARD W. BROWN FUND.** — Legacy under will of E. W. Brown, of Boston, Mass. — “To be properly invested by said Corporation or Convention, and the income thereof to be added thereto, and the whole applied in aid of a faithful translation from the original language in the light of the New (Jerusalem) Church of the revealed ‘Word of God,’ and in publishing the same, when translators possessing the requisite ability to do the work are assured, and a fund from this and other sources shall be adequate for its accomplishment, \$1,000.” With addition of income the amount is now \$1,948.89.

**MARTHA D. GARDNER LEGACY.** — Legacy under will of M. D. Gardner, of Bristol, R. I., \$50. No restrictions named. Increased by income to \$84.56.

**SARAH B. EHRMAN FUND.** — Amount received from Executor of the Estate of Sarah B. Ehrman, of Cincinnati, in compromise of a bequest under said will, authorized by the Convention (Minute 54, *JOURNAL* of 1894): “On the express condition that the said General Convention shall hold, manage, and use the said money in accordance with the provision of the will and codicil of Sarah B. Ehrman, for the general New-Church uses, such as Mission Work, *The Messenger*, publishing of New-Church Books, or any other useful work of the New Church, the Convention deciding what is best.” \$2,500.

Applied to the *New-Church Messenger*. — *JOURNAL*, 1902, Minute 162.

**LEHENEN FUND.** — Bequest under will of John Jacob Lehnen. Amount, \$500. For educational and religious purposes. Increased by income to \$899.68.

**HAMMATT FUND.** — Donation by Miss Anna C. P. Hammatt, of New Bedford, Mass., received in 1896 from Mr. Benjamin Worcester, in whose hands it had been left by donor. Income to be applied to supplying New-Church periodicals, preferably *The Messenger*, to persons unable to subscribe for them. Amount, \$400. — *JOURNAL*, 1896, Minute 37.

**KENDALL FUND.** — Legacy under will of Henry Kendall, of Cincinnati, O., amounting to \$2,879, to be applied to “missionary, tract, and publication purposes.”

One-half the income applied to *New-Church Messenger*. — *JOURNAL*, 1902, Minute 162.

**FORD FUND.**—Legacy of fifty shares Northern Railroad, New Hampshire, “For the uses and purposes to which the Convention may choose by vote to apply the same,” taken at par of \$5,000.

Also twelve shares of Tremont Nail Company having no present market value.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 98). Accumulated Income, \$729.07.

**OFFICER FUND.**—Legacy of Alexander Officer, of Chicago, Ill., received March, 1898, \$1,000. “For the maintenance of the Missionary Work of the Convention, under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions.”

**M. E. DU PONT TRUST.**—A deed of trust from Mrs. M. E. Du Pont, of Wilmington, Del., of five \$1,000 6 per cent. Bonds of the Johnstown (Pa.) Passenger Railway Company, to be held by the General Convention and to apply the income thereof through the Board of Home and Foreign Missions in payment, or partial payment, of the salary of the minister of the New-Church Society of Louisville, Ky. And if at any time there should be no minister employed by said Society, then the interest and income accruing on said property during the time in which there shall be no minister employed by the said Society, shall be invested and added to the principal of said fund and form a part thereof, so that the interest and income on the accumulated fund may be applied as above directed.

Increased by addition of income, while the Louisville Society was without a minister, to \$5,630.

**BARKER LEGACY.**—By the will of George M. Barker, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, the General Convention was to receive four thousand dollars, two thousand being for the benefit of the Theological School of the General Convention, the remaining two thousand for the support and maintenance of the missionary work of said General Convention. Owing to contest of the will, payments have been delayed. The Convention has received to May 1, 1910, after deducting expenses, \$2,599.57.

**WENTZ FUND.**—A bequest of one thousand dollars in the will of Amelia L. Wentz, of Newburgh, N. Y., to be invested and held as a fund to be known as the “Wentz Fund,” and its income to be applied to the general uses of the Convention. The amount was reduced by legacy tax to \$952.50. By credit of income increased to \$1,000.

**LOWE FUND.**—Legacy of Lewis G. Lowe, received Sept. 28, 1900, \$2,000. “Income to be used for the maintenance of the missionary work of the Convention under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions.”

**KIMBALL FUND.**—A bequest to the General Convention of one thousand dollars, in the will of Rufus C. Kimball, of Brockton, Mass., “for the maintenance of its missionary work under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions.” Received April 24, 1903. \$1,000.

**MORRISON FUND.**—Extract from the will of Mary A. Morrison, of Newburgh, N. Y.: “Eleventh—I give and bequeath the sum of two thousand

dollars unto the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, a Corporation created under the laws of the State of Illinois, to be invested by said Corporation and designated and known as 'The Mary A. Morrison Fund,' the income to be derived therefrom only to be used and expended as said Convention may direct."

The bequest as received from the estate was reduced by the amount of the legacy tax to \$1,905.

**CHASE LEGACY.**— Extract from the will of Louisa L. Chase: "Thirdly, after the decease of myself and my sisters aforesaid, my said trustee is to pay over all that may be remaining of my estate to the Treasurer of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem Church in the United States, said sum to be expended in publishing and printing the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg and collateral writings of the New Jerusalem Church approved by said Convention."

The amount realized under this bequest, including accumulated income, is \$635.69.

**EMERSON FUND.**— Extract from the will of Susan J. Emerson, of Boston, Mass.: "I give and bequeath to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States five hundred (500) dollars to be placed in the Endowment Fund for the use of the Missionary Board."

The proceeds of Mrs. Emerson's estate permitted only \$280 of the amount to be paid to the Convention.

**WASHINGTON MISSION FUND FOR WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.**—Proceeds of the sale of property in Washington City, and one-half of Mary P. Ropes legacy, amounting to \$5,178.20.

**MARY P. ROPES FUND.**— By the terms of the will of Mary P. Ropes the income of the specific legacy is to be divided equally between the Board of Publication, the Board of Missions, and the Theological School. The present investment consists of 327 shares Boston & Albany Railroad Stock, valued at \$73,575. See Treasurer's Report, 1909.

**ELIZA O. ROPES FUND.**— By the terms of the will of Eliza O. Ropes the income of the specific legacy is to be divided annually among the Board of Publication, the Board of Missions, and the Theological School for their respective work. The present investment consists of 328 shares of Boston and Albany Railroad stock valued at ..... \$73,800.00  
In addition to the foregoing, the following cash legacies were given by the testatrix: —

For the Ministers' Aid Fund (noted under heading Pension Fund) .....	10,000.00
For the Orphan Fund (preferably for children of New-Church parentage) .....	5,000.00
For the Endowment Fund of the Board of Missions .....	5,000.00
For the Endowment of the <i>New-Church Messenger</i> .....	10,000.00
	\$103,800.00

See Treasurer's Report, 1909.

DAVID L. WEBSTER FUND.—A legacy of \$10,000, given by David L. Webster, of Boston, to the Convention without restrictions.

DORINDA N. SHEPARD FUND.—A legacy of \$4,250, given by Mrs. Dorinda N. Shepard to the Convention without restrictions.

LEWIS RYDER FUND.—A legacy of \$1,000, given by Lewis Ryder to the Convention without restrictions.

THEODORE F. WRIGHT FUND.—A legacy of \$2,000 for missionary purposes.

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*A statement of the investment of the above funds will be found on page 44, of this Journal.*

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THE PENSION FUND.—For the relief of aged and needy ministers, their widows and minor children. Established by the General Convention (see JOURNAL, 1905, Minutes 79-81, also pp. 63-65, and JOURNAL, 1906, Minutes 28, 97). The principal of this fund on April 1, 1910 amounted to \$17,191.72. (See Report of the Trustees of said Fund, JOURNAL, 1910, page 102.)

THE ORPHANAGE FUND.—First: For the support, care, and education, under New-Church influences so far as practicable, of minor children of New-Church parentage, both parents being deceased.

Second: Of such minor children, one parent being deceased.

Third: Of any other orphans or needy children as the Board of Trustees may prescribe or Convention direct. (JOURNAL, 1907, Minutes 109, 110. Amount of Fund, May 1, 1910, \$5,555.91. See Treasurer's report.)

## Other Funds for Convention Uses but Not Held by the Treasurer of Convention.

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**RICE FUND.**—Legacy of Dr. Chas. D. Rice, of Maine, received in 1858. “\$5,000 to Sampson Reed, Leader of the Boston Society, or his successor in office, to be appropriated by the General Convention when it meets in Boston only.” Now held by Benjamin Pettee, Trustee.

By resolution adopted by Convention, in Boston, June 14, 1905, the income, until otherwise ordered, is to be applied to the distribution of New-Church literature and to fitting up and replenishing the library of the Theological School.

*A statement of the investment of the above fund will be found on page 110 of this Journal.*

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**ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE BOARD OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.**—Collected by legacies and donations. See JOURNAL of 1888, Minute 42, inviting contributions from the members of the church for its augmentation. Held by the Treasurer of the Board. JOURNAL, 1897, Page 84. Present amount of Fund, \$10,699.28.

*See pages 89 and 90 of this Journal for investments of said Fund and information as to Fund held by the Board for the Savannah New-Church Society, and the British Guiana Mission.*

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**ROTCH FUND.**—Legacy of Lydia S. Rotch, received Sept. 24, 1863, \$14,250. Held by Trustees appointed under her will with power to appoint and fill vacancies.

To be used and applied at their joint discretion for the benefit of the General Convention (see JOURNAL of 1888, pages 42, 43).

*See page 112 of this Journal for statement of property on hand.*

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**NEW-CHURCH BUILDING FUND.**—Held by Trustees elected by the Convention pursuant to Resolution adopted in 1875, Minute 107, for the purpose of aiding societies in erecting New-Church places of worship in America.

Total assets, \$5,949.01.

*See page 98 of this Journal.*

## Invested Funds of the New-Church Theological School.

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THE ENDOWMENT FUND was raised in accordance with the Resolutions, Minute 48, JOURNAL of 1880.

The total amount of this Fund is \$68,585.07, the income of which is used for the current support of the School.

THE CAMBRIDGE REAL-ESTATE FUND was subscribed "for the purchase of the Sparks Estate in Cambridge, for a permanent location of the School," as per the Report of the Corporation to Convention in 1889. The amount of this fund is \$24,821.34.

THE HAYDEN ENDOWMENT FUND was bequeathed to the School by the Rev. Wm. B. Hayden (\$25,930.34), and Mrs. Wm. B. Hayden (\$3,332.28), which, with gain on stocks and bonds sold (\$1,377.59), amounts in all to \$30,640.21.

THE ASA WEEKS FUND was bequeathed by Asa Weeks, of Laconia, N. H., to Trustees, for the benefit of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, to be devoted to the endowment of a college of learning for the benefit and under control of aforesaid Convention.

The Supreme Court of New Hampshire, May, 1899, decreed that the amount be paid by the Trustees to the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, to be kept by said Corporation as a separate fund to be known as the Asa Weeks Fund, to be safely invested by said Corporation in securities recognized in law as suitable for the investment of trust funds, and that the principal of said fund shall be forever kept intact. The income only of said fund may from time to time be expended by said Corporation for its educational purposes, while and so long as it shall continue to maintain a school under the control of said General Convention.

The principal of this fund is \$6,441.74.

THE HENRY C. THACHER FUND was a gift to the Corporation from the widow and children of Mr. Thacher, "to be kept securely invested, and the income received from said fund to be expended for the general purposes and uses of the New-Church Theological School." Amount, \$10,000.

THE LYDIA WORCESTER FUND was bequeathed to Trustees for the benefit of the School, with the power, if it seemed best, to place the fund in the hands of the Corporation. The surviving Trustee, the Rev. James Reed, transferred the property to the Corporation April 25, 1901. The property at this time consisted in part of real estate, which was sold at a loss from its estimated value. The amount of the fund is now \$19,922.50.

**ROMANZO P. BOYNTON FUND.**—This was a bequest of R. P. Boynton, of West Townshend, Vt. The amount received, after deducting attorneys' fees and expenses, was \$1,683.21.

**ELIZABETH TALBOTT LEGACY.**—A bequest (\$2,000) of Elizabeth Talbott, of Indianapolis, Indiana. The amount received, after deducting attorneys' fees and expenses, was \$1,948.03.

**ELOCUTION DEPARTMENT ENDOWMENT FUND.**—Eight hundred shares preferred stock United Traction Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., received from an anonymous donor, April 26, 1901, to establish and endow a chair or professorship of elocution. Par value, \$40,000.

**CHAPEL BUILDING FUND.**—Sundry contributions received for the purpose of building a Chapel on the grounds of the School at Cambridge, now amounting to \$26,368.60. Purchase Fund for additional land, \$5,010.

**FRANCES R. GIBSON FUND.**—Net proceeds of Sale of House on Beacon Street, Boston, bequeathed by Mrs. Frances R. Gibson, of Boston, amounting to \$18,355.04.

**THEODORE F. WRIGHT FUND.**—A legacy of \$2,000, bequeathed by Rev. Theodore F. Wright.

**ELIZA O. ROPES FUND.**—A legacy of \$10,000 bequeathed by Eliza O. Ropes.

**SOPHIA KNIGHT FUND.**—A legacy of \$1,000 bequeathed by Sophia Knight.

**HENRY SIEBERT FUND.**—A legacy of \$500 bequeathed by Henry Siebert.

The total amount of these funds is \$266,825.74.

*A statement of the investment of these funds will be found on pages 70 and 71 of this Journal.*

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## Invested Funds of the New-Church Board of Publication.

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**THE NEW-CHURCH MESSENGER FUND.**—Invested for the benefit of *The Messenger*, see JOURNAL, 1888, Minute 30. Interest only to be expended. For terms of subscription see report of the Board, JOURNAL, 1889, page 34. Principal, \$18,439.70.

**THE MRS. LYDIA HELENA HAWORTH McDONALD FUND.**—This fund was received in July, 1888, from the Executor of Mrs. McDonald, as a permanent fund to be known by the above title, the interest of which is to be devoted to the uses of the Board forever. See report of the Board, JOURNAL, 1889, page 33. Principal, \$7,300.

**THE CAPTAIN WHITE FUND.**—Principal, \$1,900.

**THE SARAH C. BENNETT FUND.**—A legacy of \$5,000.

*A statement of the investment of these funds will be found on pages 91-96 of this Journal.*

## Swedenborg Memorial Fund.

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A fund collected by general contributions, "for the ultimate purpose of building in the City of Stockholm, in Sweden, a church which may stand as a memorial of the establishment of the Lord's New Church through Emanuel Swedenborg." Held by Rev. Frank Sewall, Gideon Boericke, and James Richard Carter, Treasurer, Trustees appointed by the General Convention through its Executive Committee. As to the manner of the disposition of the Fund, for the purpose named, the Trustees consider themselves subject to the instructions of the Convention. Amount of Fund on May 1, 1909, \$7,814.30. (*JOURNAL*, 1884, Minute 103; *JOURNAL*, 1885, Minutes 22, 117, and pp. 23, 24, 99; *JOURNAL*, 1886, p. 93; *JOURNAL*, 1901, p. 48; *JOURNAL*, 1905, p. 57; *JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 36 and pages 120, 121.)

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## Bodies Composing the General Convention.

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THE General Convention is composed of the following associated bodies:—

### THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.

*Societies* :— Los Angeles, Riverside, San Diego, San Francisco (O'Farrell Street). 4.

### THE CANADA ASSOCIATION.

*Societies* :— Berlin, Hamilton, Montreal and Toronto. 4.

### THE ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.

*Societies* :— Canton, Chicago, Henry, Jefferson, Wis., Joliet, La Porte, Ind., Olney, Osage County, Kas., Peoria, Pittsfield, Pontiac, St. Louis, Mo., Springfield, Union City, Tenn., Wellsville, Mo., and Wilmington. 16.

### KANSAS ASSOCIATION.

*Societies* :— Pawnee Rock, Pretty Prairie. 2.

### THE MAINE ASSOCIATION.

*Societies* :— Bath, Fryeburg, and Portland. 3.

### THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.

*Societies* :— Baltimore (English), Baltimore (German), Easton, Preston, Md., Richmond, Va., Washington, D. C., and Wilmington, Del. 7.

## THE MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.

*Societies:* — Abington, Boston, Boston Highlands, Bridgewater, Brockton, Brookline, Cambridge, Contoocook, N. H., East Bridgewater, Fall River, Lancaster, Manchester, N. H., Mansfield, Newtonville, Providence, R. I., Salem, Springfield, Waltham, and Yarmouth. 19.

## THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.

*Societies:* — Almont, Detroit, and Grand Rapids. 3.

## THE MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION.

*Societies:* — Minneapolis and St. Paul. 2.

## THE NEW-YORK ASSOCIATION.

*Societies:* — Brooklyn, Brooklyn (German 1st and 2nd), Buffalo, Hoboken, New York, New York (German), Orange, N. J., Paterson, N. J., and Riverhead. 9.

## THE OHIO ASSOCIATION.

*Societies:* — Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Glendale, Indianapolis, Ind., Lakewood, Louisville, Ky., Toledo, and Urbana. 10.

## THE PACIFIC-COAST ASSOCIATION.

*Societies:* — Portland, Ore., San Francisco (Society of the New Jerusalem). 2.

## THE PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.

*Societies:* — Fishing Creek Valley, Frankford, Lancaster, Montgomery's Ferry, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, and Vineland, N. J. 7.

## THE GERMAN SYNOD OF THE NEW CHURCH.

*Societies:* — St. Louis, Mo. (German), Gruetli, Tenn., Marengo, Tenn., Polk, Ore., and Portland, Ore. 5.

## SOCIETIES.

Connecticut Association . . . . .	admitted	1884
Denver, Colo. . . . .	"	1879
Iowa General Society . . . . .	"	1890
Jacksonville, Fla. . . . .	"	1891
Savannah, Ga. . . . .	"	1881
Texas General Society . . . . .	"	1890

## Statistical Table of Membership and Representatives.

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Associations.	No. Societies.	No. Ministers.	No. Members.	Delegate Representation
California .....	4	6	242	6
Canada .....	4	2	174	4
Illinois .....	16	9	913	20
Kansas .....	2	2	150	5
Maine .....	3	3	129	4
Maryland .....	7	6	425	10
Massachusetts .....	19	22	1,690	35
Michigan .....	3	2	160	5
Minnesota .....	2	1	39	2
New York .....	10	9	622	14
Ohio .....	10	8	735	16
Pacific Coast .....	2	1	94*	3
Pennsylvania .....	7	7	661	15
The German Synod of the New Church .....	5	0	120	4
Connecticut .....	1	1	60	3
Denver, Colo., Society .....	1	1	38	2
Iowa General Society .....	1	0	50	3
Jacksonville, Fla., Society ..	1	0	13	2
Savannah, Ga., Society ....	1	0	15	2
Texas General Society .....	1	0	100*	4
 Totals .....	100	80	6,430	159

\* Estimated.

### Recapitulation.

Ministers reporting through Associations or Societies .....	80
Other ministers connected with the Convention .....	21
 Ministerial membership .....	101
Delegate representation .....	159
 Voting membership .....	260
Authorized Candidates and Preachers .....	8

Note.—The above table shows the membership of Convention, but does not include all believers in the doctrines of the New Church in this country, among whom there are several thousand who, by reason of isolation as to residence, are not connected with organised societies of the church.

## Ministers of the General Convention.

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### Chronological List.

#### GENERAL PASTORS.

1. John Faulkner Potts, Bryn Athyn, Pa., ordained Oct. 16, 1866; consecrated Aug. 13, 1882.
2. John Goddard, 52 Brookside Ave., Newtonville, Mass., ordained Feb. 4, 1866; invested with the office June 3, 1883.
3. Frank Sewall, D.D., 1618 Riggs Pl., Washington, D. C., ordained Aug. 23, 1863; invested with the office May 28, 1893.
4. William Loring Worcester, 4300 Locust St., Philadelphia, Pa., ordained Dec. 13, 1885; invested with the office June 4, 1899.
5. James Reed, 12 Louisburg Sq., Boston, Mass., ordained April 1, 1860; invested with the office May 27, 1900.
6. John Sargon Saul, 501 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill., ordained Oct. 17, 1872; temporarily invested with the powers of General Pastor Feb. 21, 1905.
7. Samuel S. Seward, 3087 West Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Mich., ordained Oct. 15, 1869; invested with the office June 13, 1908.
8. Julian K. Smyth, 230 West 59th St., New York, N. Y., ordained Jan. 5, 1879; invested with the office Feb. 22, 1909.
9. Louis George Hoeck, Oak and Winslow Sts., Cincinnati, Ohio, ordained June 10, 1894; invested with the office May 22, 1910.

#### PASTORS AND MINISTERS.

10. John Curtis Ager, 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.....	Ordained Sept.	16, 1860
11. C. Louis Carrière, 2128 St. Louis Ave., St. Louis, Mo. ....	" May	4, 1862
12. Edward C. Mitchell, 534 Summit Ave., St. Paul, Minn. ....	" Nov.	27, 1862
13. Charles Hardon, Contoocook, N. H. ....	" Dec.	4, 1864
14. Charles H. Mann, 12 East 45th St., New York, N. Y. ....	" Oct.	9, 1867
15. Joseph Worcester, 1030 Vallejo St., San Fran- cisco, Cal. ....	" Nov.	3, 1867
16. Berry Edmiston, 533 Grand Ave., Riverside, Cal. ....	" May	1, 1870

17. George W. Chase, 220 10th St., Columbus, Ga.	Ordained Sept.	10, 1871
18. Stephen Jepson, 272 Belmont St., Fall River, Mass.	" Aug.	18, 1872
19. Horace W. Wright, 107 Pinckney St., Boston, Mass.	" Oct.	15, 1874
20. James M. Shepherd, Pontiac, Mich.	" June	3, 1877
21. Jacob Kimm, Box 28, Pine City, Wash.	" Oct.	23, 1877
22. William A. L. Campbell, 1402 34th St., Galves- ton, Texas	" June	22, 1879
23. Orson L. Barler, Beatrice, Neb.	" Nov.	1, 1879
24. D. Vinton Bowen, 40 Belcher St., Winthrop, Mass.	" April	8, 1880
25. Adolph Roeder, 80 Cleveland St., Orange, N. J.	" April	25, 1880
26. John Whitehead, Lexington and Beaver Sts., Waltham, Mass.	" June	6, 1880
27. Howard C. Dunham, 1620 Clarkson St., Den- ver, Colo.	" Aug.	29, 1880
28. George Lawrence Allbutt, 3005 Pennsylvania Ave., Baltimore, Md.	" Oct.	20, 1880
29. Thomas A. King, 15 Mars Ave., Lakewood, Ohio	" March	27, 1881
30. Jacob E. Werren, 1667 Cambridge St., Cam- bridge, Mass.	" March	26, 1882
31. Joseph S. David, 1640 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, Cal.	" April	6, 1882
32. Baman N. Stone, Fryeburg, Me.	" Aug.	27, 1882
33. Eugene D. Daniels, 15 Water St., Berlin, On- tario, Canada	" June	3, 1883
34. William H. Schliffer, 12 St. Mark's Place, New York, N. Y.	" June	10, 1883
35. Eugene J. E. Schreck, 70th St. and Stewart Ave., Chicago, Ill.	" June	10, 1883
36. John T. V. Croy, Spring Valley, San Diego Co., Cal.	" Feb.	15, 1885
37. Henry Clinton Hay, 26 Coolidge St., Boulevard Station, Boston, Mass.	" Oct.	1, 1885
38. J. M. Washburn, 2918 Lafayette St., Denver, Colo.	" Oct.	25, 1885
39. William Diehl, 148 Cornelia St., Brooklyn, N. Y.	" Dec.	20, 1885
40. Gardner I. Ward, Contoocook, N. H.	" Feb.	8, 1886
41. Henry H. Grant, Kennedy Heights, Cincinnati, Ohio	" May	30, 1886
42. Frank Levi Higgins, Fairhope, Ala.	" May	30, 1886
43. John Edward Smith, 512 South 47th St., Phila- delphia, Pa.	" May	30, 1886

44. George Stevens Wheeler, Bridgewater, Mass.	.. Ordained May	20, 1888
45. William M. MacIntosh, Peach Blossom, near Easton, Md., R. F. D., No. 4 .....	" Feb.	22, 1889
46. George Henry Dole, 415 Delaware Ave., Wil- mington, Del.....	" Oct.	6, 1889
47. Louis G. Landenberger, 3741 Windsor Pl., St. Louis, Mo. .....	" Jan.	10, 1890
48. Junius B. Spiers, 901 West Main St., Rich- mond, Va. .....	" June	14, 1890
49. Percy Billings, 28 Palmerston Square, Toronto, Ontario, Canada .....	" June	14, 1890
50. Albert Björck, 40 W. 28th St., New York City, N. Y.....	" Aug.	17, 1890
51. Benjamin P. Unruh, Pawnee Rock, Kan. ....	" Oct.	12, 1890
52. Louis Rich, 440 West 70th St., Chicago, Ill.....	" Dec.	14, 1890
53. John W. MacPherson, 4508 Frankford Ave., Frankford, Pa.....	" May	24, 1891
54. Charles Augustus Nussbaum, 4530 McPher- son, Ave., St. Louis, Mo. .....	" Nov.	18, 1891
55. Clarence Lathbury, Elmwood, Mass. ....	" April	7, 1892
56. Adam Bouse Dolly, Horton, West Va. ....	" Feb.	26, 1893
57. Lewis Field Hite, 22 Mt. Pleasant St., Cam- bridge, Mass. .....	" May	28, 1893
58. John R. Stephenson, Sandusky and Pearl Sts., North Side, Pittsburg, Pa. .....	" June	19, 1893
59. Hiram Vrooman, 16 Bridgman St., Prov- idence, R. I. .....	" Feb.	22, 1894
60. H. F. von K. Crownfield, 13 Washington Ter- race, New York, N. Y.....	" July	2, 1894
61. Albert B. Francisco, 3248 Pierce Ave., Chi- cago, Ill. .....	" April	28, 1895
62. William H. Adkins, Brentwood, Ark. ....	" May	16, 1895
63. Samuel Worcester, Moss Hill Villa, So. Nor- walk, Conn. .....	" June	4, 1896
64. Soren Christian Brønniche, Boyesgade, St., Copenhagen, Denmark .....	" Oct.	4, 1896
65. William Paul Harthill, Pine City, Washington..	" July	18, 1897
66. Chauncey Giles Hubbell, Lexington, Mass. ...	" Oct.	16, 1897
67. James Taylor, Hingham, Mass. .....	" April	7, 1898
68. Frank August Gustafson, 210 Harrison St., La Porte, Ind. .....	" March	19, 1899
69. Joseph Edward Collom, 1024 Maple Ave., Los Angeles, Cal. ....	" May	27, 1900
70. Charles W. Harvey, 58 Irving St., Brookline, Mass.....	" June	10, 1900
71. George Wengel, Fort Hunter, Pa. .....	" June	17, 1900

72.	Alexander Henry, 2731 Franklin St., Denver, Col.	Ordained Sept.	16, 1900
73.	Russell Eaton, Urbana, Ohio	" Sept.	16, 1900
74.	James Edward Thomas, 217 North 18th St., Birmingham, Ala.	" Sept.	16, 1900
75.	Abraham Knobel, 155 North Jane Ave., Louisville, Ky.	" June	2, 1901
76.	Arthur Mercer, 278 Carlton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.	" Dec.	15, 1901
77.	Klaas Peters, Waldeck, Saskatchewan, Canada.	" July	13, 1902
78.	Peter Hiebert, Chaplin, Saskatchewan, Canada,	" July	13, 1902
79.	Herbert Center Small, 2333 Delaware St., Indianapolis, Ind.	" July	20, 1902
80.	John Ramsey Hunter, 8820 Carnegie Ave., Cleveland, O.	" Nov.	2, 1902
81.	A. H. Huxmann, Pretty Prairie, Kan.	Recognized June	27, 1903
82.	Clyde Washburn Broomell, R. F. D. 2, Canton, Mass.	Ordained Oct.	18, 1903
83.	John Wesley Stockwell, 1141 East 46th St., Chicago, Ill.	" Dec.	1, 1903
84.	Paul Sperry, 129 W. Elm St., Brockton, Mass.	" Aug.	27, 1905
85.	Thomas French, Jr., 40 Brantford Pl., Buffalo, N. Y.	" Sept.	17, 1905
86.	George Gay Daniel, 25 West 99th St., New York, N. Y.	" May	20, 1906
87.	Eli Wilkinson Shields, 672 Onachita St., Hot Springs, Ark.	" Oct.	7, 1906
88.	Gaston John Fercken, Curepipe Rd., Mauritius Island	" Oct.	28, 1906
89.	Harold Sargent Conant, 714 East 21st St., Bal- timore, Md.	" Jan.	6, 1907
90.	Adolf Ludwig Goerwitz, 10 Sonnegg Str., Zür- ich, IV., Switzerland	" May	19, 1907
91.	Everett K. Bray, Lock Box 437, Tampa, Fla.	" Oct.	20, 1907
92.	George E. Morgan, Peabody, Kan.	" Dec.	8, 1907
93.	Warren Goddard, Jr., 194 June St., Fall River, Mass.	" April	12, 1908
94.	Robert S. Fischer, 2129 Chestnut St., Phila- delphia, Pa.	" Nov.	6, 1908
95.	Charles Edgar Ritter, Winchester Park Build- ing, Springfield, Mass.	" Nov.	8, 1908
96.	Charles S. Mack, M. D., 2353 Maplewood Ave., Toledo, Ohio	" Dec.	10, 1908
97.	Jean Paul Dresser, 423 West 43rd St., New York, N. Y.	" June	27, 1909
98.	Jacob Schroeder, Larned, Kan.	" July	18, 1909

99.	William Frederick Wunsch, 64 Pearl St., Bath, Me. ....	Ordained Sept.	5, 1909
100.	Maro F. Underwood, M. D., 1427 Fourth St., San Diego, Cal. ....	" May	22, 1910
101.	E. M. Lawrence Gould, Newtonville, Mass. ...	" June	9, 1910

## AUTHORIZED CANDIDATES AND PREACHERS.

102.	Benjamin Worcester, Waltham, Mass. ....	Authorized Oct.	7, 1857
103.	Nelson Henry Clafin, M. D., 3106 Grove St., So. Berkeley, Cal. ....	" Aug.	1, 1902
104.	John Headsten, 248 Jansen Ave., Chicago, Ill. ....	" Dec.	29, 1903
105.	Horace H. Werren, Center Lovell, Me. ....	" April	19, 1906
106.	T. Mower Martin, 225 Cottingham St., To- ronto, Ontario, Canada ....	" June	9, 1910
107.	John H. Enns, Rosenort, Manitoba, Canada..	" July	31, 1909
108.	Ferdinand Muhlert, 720 East 32d St., Brook- lyn, N. Y. ....	" Feb.	10, 1910
109.	Rodney D. Book, M. D., 48 Quincy St., Cam- bridge, Mass. ....	" May	15, 1910

## Alphabetical List.

The numbers refer to the Chronological List, where date of ordination or authorization is given.

62. Adkins, William H., Brentwood, Ark.
10. Ager, John Curtis, 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.
28. Allbutt, G. Lawrence, 3005 Pennsylvania Ave., Baltimore, Md.
23. Barler, Orson L., Beatrice, Neb.
49. Billings, Percy, 28 Palmerston Square, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
50. Björck, Albert, 40 W. 28th St., New York City, N. Y.
109. Book, Rodney D., M. D., 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.
24. Bowen, D. Vinton, 40 Belcher St., Winthrop, Mass.
91. Bray, Everett K., Lock Box 437, Tampa, Fla.
64. Brönniche, Soren Christian, Boyesgade, St., Copenhagen, Denmark.
82. Broomell, Clyde Washburn, R. F. D. 2, Canton, Mass.
22. Campbell, William A. L., 1402 34th St., Galveston, Texas.
11. Carrière, C. Louis, 2128 St. Louis Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
17. Chase, George W., 220 10th St., Columbus, Ga.
103. Clafin, N. H., M. D., 3106 Grove St., So. Berkeley, Cal.
69. Collom, Joseph Edward, 1024 Maple Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.
89. Conant, Harold S., 714 E. 21st St., Baltimore, Md.
60. Crownfield, H. F. von K., 13 Washington Terrace, New York, N. Y.
36. Croy, John T. V., Spring Valley, San Diego Co., Cal.
86. Daniel, George Gay, 25 West 99th St., New York, N. Y.
33. Daniels, Eugene D., 15 Water St., North, Berlin, Ont., Canada.
31. David, Joseph S., 1640 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, Cal.

39. Diehl, William, 148 Cornelia St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
46. Dole, George Henry, 415 Delaware Ave., Wilmington, Del.
56. Dolly, Adam Bouse, Horton, West Va.
97. Dresser, Jean Paul, 423 West 43rd St., New York, N. Y.
27. Dunham, Howard C., 1620 Clarkson St., Denver, Colo.
73. Eaton, Russell, Urbana, Ohio.
16. Edmiston, Berry, 533 Grand Ave., Riverside, Cal.
107. Enns, John H., Rosenort, Manitoba, Canada.
88. Fercken, Gaston John, Curepipe Road, Mauritius Island.
94. Fischer, Robert S., 2129 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
61. Francisco, Albert B., 3248 Pierce Ave., Chicago, Ill.
85. French, Thomas, Jr., 40 Brantford Pl., Buffalo, N. Y.
2. Goddard, John, 52 Brookside Ave., Newtonville, Mass.
93. Goddard, Jr., Warren, 194 June St., Fall River, Mass.
101. Gould, E. M. Lawrence, Newtonville, Mass.
90. Goerwitz, Adolf Ludwig, 10 Sonnegg Str., Zürich, IV., Switzerland.
41. Grant, Henry H., Kennedy Heights, Cincinnati, Ohio.
68. Gustafson, Frank August, 210 Harrison St., La Porte, Ind.
13. Hardon, Charles, Contoocook, N. H.
65. Harthill, William Paul, Pine City, Washington.
70. Harvey, Charles W., 58 Irving St., Brookline, Mass.
37. Hay, Henry Clinton, 26 Coolidge St., Boulevard Station, Boston, Mass.
104. Headsten, John, 248 Jansen Ave., Chicago, Ill.
72. Henry, Alexander, 2731 Franklin St., Denver, Col.
78. Hiebert, Peter, Chaplin, Saskatchewan, Canada.
42. Higgins, Frank Levi, Fairhope, Ala.
57. Hite, Lewis Field, 22 Mt. Pleasant St., Cambridge, Mass.
9. Hoeck, Louis George, Book Room, cor. Oak and Winslow Sts., Cincinnati, Ohio.
66. Hubbell, Chauncey Giles, Lexington, Mass.
80. Hunter, John Ramsey, 8820 Carnegie Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
81. Huxmann, A. H., Pretty Prairie, Kan.
18. Jepson, Stephen, 272 Belmont St., Fall River, Mass.
21. Kimm, Jacob, Box 28, Pine City, Washington.
29. King, Thomas A., 15 Mars Ave., Lakewood, Ohio.
75. Knobel, Abraham, 155 North Jane Ave., Louisville, Ky.
76. Landenberger, Louis G., 3741 Windsor Pl., St. Louis, Mo.
55. Lethbury, Clarence, Elmwood, Mass.
45. McIntosh, William M., Peach Blossom, near Easton, Md., R. F. D. No. 4.
53. MacPherson, John W., 4508 Frankford Ave., Frankford, Pa.
96. Mack, Charles S., M. D., 2353 Maplewood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.
14. Mann, Charles H., 12 East 45th St., New York, N. Y.
106. Martin, T. Mower, 225 Cottingham St., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
76. Mercer, Arthur, 278 Carlton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
12. Mitchell, Edward C., 534 Summit Ave., St. Paul, Minn.
92. Morgan, George E., Peabody, Kan.

- 108. Muhlert, Ferdinand, 720 East 32nd St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 54. Nussbaum, Charles Augustus, 4530 McPherson Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
- 77. Peters, Klaas, Waldeck, Saskatchewan, Canada.
- 1. Potts, John Faulkner, Bryn Athyn, Pa.
- 5. Reed, James, 12 Louisburg Sq., Boston, Mass.
- 52. Rich, Louis, 440 West 70th St., Chicago, Ill.
- 95. Ritter, Charles Edgar, Winchester Park Bldg., Springfield, Mass.
- 24. Roeder, Adolph, 80 Cleveland St., Orange, N. J.
- 6. Saul, John Sargon, 501 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill.
- 34. Schliffer, William H., 83 So. Second St., New York, N. Y.
- 35. Schreck, Eugene J. E., 70th and Stewart Ave., Chicago, Ill.
- 98. Schroeder, Jacob, Larned, Kan.
- 3. Sewall, Frank, D. D., 1618 Riggs Pl., Washington, D. C.
- 7. Seward, Samuel S., 3087 West Grand Boulevard, Detroit, Mich.
- 20. Shepherd, James M., Pontiac, Mich.
- 87. Shields, Eli Wilkinson, 672 Onachita Ave., Hot Springs, Ark.
- 79. Small, Herbert Center, 2333 Delaware St., Indianapolis, Ind.
- 43. Smith, John Edward, 512 South 47th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 8. Smyth, Julian K., 230 West 59th St., New York, N. Y.
- 84. Sperry, Paul, 129 W. Elm St., Brockton, Mass.
- 48. Spiers, Junius B., 901 West Main St., Richmond, Va.
- 58. Stephenson, John R., Sandusky and Pearl Sts., North Side, Pittsburg, Pa.
- 83. Stockwell, John Wesley, 1141 East 46th St., Chicago, Ill.
- 32. Stone, Baman N., Fryeburg, Me.
- 67. Taylor, James, Hingham, Mass.
- 74. Thomas, James Edward, 63 Caroline Ave., Mobile, Ala.
- 100. Underwood, Marc F., M. D., 1427 Fourth St., San Diego, Cal.
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- 71. Wengel, George, Fort Hunter, Pa.
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- 15. Worcester, Joseph, 1030 Vallejo St., San Francisco, Cal.
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- 19. Wright, Horace W., 107 Pinckney St., Boston, Mass.
- 99. Wunsch, William F., Bath, Me.

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The General Pastors.

## COMMITTEE ON PRAYERS AND RITES.

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## COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF CONVENTION.

(Referred by Convention. See JOURNAL, 1908, Minute 101.)  
Rev. Messrs. John C. Ager, James Reed, John Whitehead.

## COMMITTEE ON DAILY READINGS FROM THE WORD AND THE WRITINGS.

Authorized by Convention to publish its plans and carry on its work. (JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 158.)

Rev. Messrs. E. J. E. Schreck, L. G. Hoeck, and Percy Billings.

## COMMITTEE ON LEGITIMACY OF CONSIDERING CHARGES BROUGHT BY INDIVIDUALS.

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## COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY INTO THE NON-GROWTH OF THE ORGANIZED NEW CHURCH.

Rev. Messrs. John Whitehead, John R. Stephenson, Jean Paul Dresser.

## COMMITTEE ON ROLL OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

Rev. Messrs. Harold S. Conant, E. D. Daniels.

## COMMITTEE ON THE PROGRAM OF THE NEXT MEETING.

The Chairman and Secretaries.

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(Incorporated April 10, 1883. See Minute 117, JOURNAL, 1882.)

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TERM EXPIRES 1911.	TERM EXPIRES 1912.
O. J. Mills, New York.	H. W. Guernsey, New York.
Frederic Schoff, Pa.	Eben Sugden, New York.
J. B. McGeorge, New York.	Rev. A. Roeder, New Jersey.
W. N. Hobart, Ohio.	William McGeorge, Jr., Pa.
E. P. Call, New York.	E. C. Brown, New York.
TERM EXPIRES 1913.	TERM EXPIRES 1914.
Rev. J. Reed, Mass.	Rev. S. S. Seward, Michigan.
F. J. Worcester, New York.	Rev. J. K. Smyth, New York.
Dr. Louis Curtis Ager, New York.	J. E. Hubbell, New York.
Edward Sherer, New York.	C. W. Barron, Mass.
John F. Seekamp, New York.	R. A. Shaw, New York.

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TERM EXPIRES 1911.	TERM EXPIRES 1912.	TERM EXPIRES 1913.
Rev. John Goddard.	Rev. James Reed.	Rev. Frank Sewall, D.D.
Rev. S. S. Seward.	William McGeorge, Jr.	Rev. Julian K. Smyth.
Hon. Job Barnard.	Rev. H. Clinton Hay.	John T. Prince, Ph. D.
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(Incorporated May 17, 1881. See Minute 36, JOURNAL, 1880.)

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(JOURNAL, 1909, Minute 150.)

J. R. Carter.	C. H. Cutler.
R. A. Lewis.	R. A. Shaw.

W. N. Hobart.

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TERM EXPIRES 1911.

TERM EXPIRES 1912.

Rev. W. L. Worcester, Philadelphia, Pa.	Rev. Paul Sperry, Brockton, Mass.
Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, Cincinnati, Ohio.	Richard B. Carter, Newtonville, Mass.
Rev. E. J. E. Shreck, Chicago, Ill.	Arthur D. Ropes, Wollaston, Mass.

TERM EXPIRES 1913.

Wm. N. Hobart, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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**American New-Church Evidence Society.**

(*JOURNAL*, 1894, Minutes 24, 61, 82, 116-118.)

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Gideon Boericke.	Hon. Job Barnard.	William N. Hobart.
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Until otherwise ordered the annual income to be applied to the distribution of New-Church literature, and to the fitting up and replenishing the library of the Theological School. (*See JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 174.)

**Trustees of the Rotch Legacy.**

Horace P. Chandler.	Warren Goddard.	James Everett Young.
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Appointed by the Testator. (*See JOURNAL*, 1864, p. 51; to be used for the benefit of the General Convention, but not under its control. (*See JOURNAL*, 1866, pp. 49 and 110.)

**Trustees of the Iungerich Publication Fund.**

William Burnham.

Horace E. Smith.

William McGeorge, Jr.

Adolph Ahrens, Jr.

Appointed by and under the provision of a Trust Deed, dated May 4, 1874, and a Supplemental Trust Deed, dated June 26, 1877, made by Mr. Louis C. Iungerich, of Philadelphia.

The Fund to be used for supplying gratuitously the theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg to the Protestant clergy of the United States and Canada, including theological students and instructors in theology. (*JOURNAL*, 1882, pp. 89-97.)

**Committee to Audit Accounts of the Trustees of the Iungerich Publication Fund.**

(JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 69.)

Walter C. Rodman.

Ezra Hyde Alden.

**Board of Trustees of the Pension Fund.**

(JOURNAL, 1905, Minutes 79-81.)

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TERM EXPIRES 1911.	TERM EXPIRES 1912.	TERM EXPIRES 1913.
Hon. Job Barnard.	Rev. S. S. Seward.	Rev. John S. Saul.
Dr. Joseph Pettee Cobb.	Percy Werner.	Rev. Berry Edmiston.

TERM EXPIRES 1914.

TERM EXPIRES 1915.

Rev. James Reed.

William McGeorge, Jr.

Rev. Wm. L. Worcester.

George Merrell.

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(JOURNAL, 1907, Minutes 12, 109, 110.)

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The Treasurer of Convention, *ex-officio*.

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Dr. Jos. P. Cobb, Chicago.	Herbert G. Stockwell, Phila., Pa.
Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, Chicago.	James E. Young, Boston, Mass.

**Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts.**

(*JOURNAL*, 1891, Minutes 88-95; *JOURNAL*, 1896, Minutes 31, 32; *JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 169.)

Rev. J. C. Ager.	Rev. W. L. Worcester.
Rev. J. E. Warren.	C. A. E. Spamer.
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Carll H. DeSilver.	

**Committee to Raise Funds for Advertising New-Church Writings.**

(*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minutes 56, 57.)

George C. Warren.

**Committee on the Revision of the Magnificat.**

(*JOURNAL*, 1906, Minutes 36, 61.)

The Rev. Messrs. Frank Sewall, Wm. L. Worcester, E. J. E. Schreck, Julian K. Smyth, Louis G. Hoeck, C. W. Harvey.

**To Audit the Treasurer's Account.**

(*JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 169.)

Warren Goddard. John A. Thompson.

**Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund.**

(*JOURNAL*, 1884, Minute 103; *JOURNAL*, 1885, Minutes 22, 117, and pp. 23, 24, 99; *JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 169.)

Rev. Frank Sewall. Gideon Boericke.

James Richard Carter, *Treasurer of the Convention.*

**The Board of Trustees of the National Church at Washington City, D. C.**

(JOURNAL, 1889, Minute 48.)

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**Committee on Transportation.**

(JOURNAL, 1891, Minute 94; JOURNAL, 1892, Minute 107; JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 169.)

Ezra Hyde Alden, Arcade Building, Philadelphia, Pa.  
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**New-Church Round Table.**

(JOURNAL, 1905, Minutes 151, 185.)

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**The Bissell Estate.**

(JOURNAL, 1899, Minutes 126, 127; JOURNAL, 1901, Minute 189.)

Appointment of James Richard Carter as Attorney in fact.

**Committee on Reports to the Press.**

(JOURNAL, 1897, Minutes 24, 25; JOURNAL, 1898, Minutes 19, 21; JOURNAL, 1899, Minute 85; JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 169.)

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**Committee on Education.**

(JOURNAL, 1906, Minute 154.)

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Rev. George H. Dole.	Rev. Charles S. Mack, M.D.
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**Committee on the Buffalo Mission.**

(JOURNAL, 1909, Minute 107.)

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**To Raise Funds for the Buffalo Mission.**

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**Committee on the International Swedenborg Congress.**

(JOURNAL, 1909, Minute 87.)

*Chairman.* — Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D.*Secretary.* — Rev. Charles W. Harvey.

(For full list of officers, see Minute 111.)

**Representative in the Matter of the Delaware County Society.**

(JOURNAL, 1910, Minute 54.)

Rev. William L. Worcester.

## **Matters Referred to Officers and Committees.**

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### *To the President.*

1. To visit State Associations. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 85.)
2. Instructions to Trustees of the Buffalo Society. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 107.)
3. Request to reply to Mr. Martin regarding his entering the ministry. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 20.)
4. Request to name representative to confer with English brethren regarding coöperation in the support of the research and publishing work in Sweden. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 39.)
5. Appointment of a Committee upon Esperanto service in National Church during Esperanto Congress. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 83.)
6. Request to send Ministers' reply to Rev. S. Christian Brönniche regarding use of individual cups at Communion. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 105.)

### *To the President and Secretaries.*

1. The time and place of the next meeting of Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 110.)

### *To the General Council.*

1. Reorganization of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 41, 55-59, 64, 65; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 127.)
2. Report and Draft of Revised Constitution of Convention, also referred to Council of Ministers. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 101, 102.)
3. Memorial church buildings in Stockholm. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 36; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 31.)
4. Gift of De Luxe edition of Rotch Edition Swedenborg's Works. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 125; *JOURNAL*, 1910, Minutes 53, 65, 66, 79-81.)
5. Ordination of Rev. Charles M. Adams, Georgetown, British Guiana, jointly with Board of Missions. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 71.)

### *To the Council of Ministers.*

1. Translation of the Word. (*JOURNAL*, 1877, Minutes 47-49; *JOURNAL*, 1892, Minute 18.)

2. Suggestion contained in report of Massachusetts Association of the need of a uniform creed. (*JOURNAL*, 1900, Minute 23.)

3. Report and Draft of Revised Constitution of Convention, also referred to General Council. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 101, 102.)

*To the New-Church Board of Publication.*

1. Publication of Sunday-school Manuals. (*JOURNAL*, 1890, Minute 65.)

*To the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.*

1. Reorganization of the Board of Missions jointly with the General Council. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 127.)

2. Increase of the Endowment Fund. (*JOURNAL*, 1890, Minute 72; *JOURNAL*, 1897, Minute 76.)

3. Employment of a General Missionary. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 128.)

4. Ministerial services, supply of, in outlying districts. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 60.)

5. Introduction of the Heavenly Doctrines into Japan, India, and into Latin, Spanish, and Portuguese countries. (*JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 175; *JOURNAL*, 1907, Minutes 105, 106; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 63.)

6. Ordination of Rev. Charles M. Adams, Georgetown, British Guiana, jointly with General Council. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 71.)

7. Appeal from Dr. L. E. Calleja for support of his Spanish New-Church paper. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 46.)

8. Request to name representative to confer with English brethren regarding coöperation in support of Missions. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 40.)

*To Trustees of Swedenborg Memorial Building Fund.*

1. Authorization to seek coöperation of English brethren in raising Funds. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 48.)

*To the Bureau of Information.*

1. Matter regarding Permanent Bureau of Information. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 52.)

*To Trustees of Jungerich Publication Fund.*

1. Recommendation of gift of Brief Exposition of the Doctrines of the New Church in the Latin language to the Catholic clergy. (*JOURNAL*, 1901, Minute 35.)

2. Matter of publication of abridged edition of "True Christian Religion." (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 74.)

*To Editor of Messenger.*

1. Request to make special mention of resolution regarding transfer of membership. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 103.)

*To the Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts.*

1. Photolithographing the Manuscripts of Swedenborg. (*JOURNAL*, 1887, Minutes 29-39; *JOURNAL*, 1888, Minute 93; *JOURNAL*, 1891, Minute 88; *JOURNAL*, 1896, Minutes 31, 32.)
2. Authority to make contracts for Photolithographing the Manuscripts of Swedenborg and draw on available funds. (*JOURNAL*, 1896, Minute 68.)
3. Contributions for publishing the Scientific and Philosophic Writings of Swedenborg. (*JOURNAL*, 1901, Minutes 69, 73.)
4. Report on Mr. Stroh's research and editorial work to be made directly to Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minutes 91-94.)

*To the Literary Bureau.*

1. Advertising Swedenborg's Theological Works. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 100, 110; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minutes 56, 57.)

*To the Committee on the Revision of the Magnificat.*

1. Instructed to issue revised edition of *The Magnificat*. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes, 120, 121, 125.)

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*To the National Committee on House of Worship in Washington, D. C.*

1. Instructed to coöperate with the Washington Society in the prosecution of the work of building the National New Church. (*JOURNAL*, 1894, Minute 120; *JOURNAL*, 1896, Minutes 88, 89; *JOURNAL*, 1906, Minutes 99, 100, 117.)

*To the Committee on Transportation.*

1. Arrangements for reduced fares to Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1889, Minute 126; *JOURNAL*, 1890, Minute 33; *JOURNAL*, 1891, Minute 94; *JOURNAL*, 1892, Minute 107.)

*To the Committee on Business.*

1. To arrange for the official roll of Convention previous to the election of officers. (*JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 111.)
2. Assignment of a complete day to the Sunday-School Association. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 135.)
3. Suggestion to allow time for consideration of Laymen's Missionary movement at next Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 99.)

*To the Committee on the Buffalo Mission.*

1. Advice as to disposition of the property. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 107.)

## List of Places and Dates of the Meetings of the General Convention.

No. of Meeting.	Place of Meeting.	President.	Date of Meeting.
First . . . .	Philadelphia, Rev. John Hargrove	. . May 15-17 . .	1817
Second . . . .	Baltimore " " "	. . April 30-May 2, . .	1818
Third . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	. . May 11-13 . .	1820
Fourth . . . .	New York Rev. Lewis Beers . . . .	July 2-3 . .	1821
Fifth . . . .	Philadelphia, Rev. John Hargrove	. . June 3-5 . .	1822
Sixth . . . .	Baltimore " " "	. . June 5-7 . .	1823
Seventh . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	. . June 3-5 . .	1824
Eighth . . . .	New York " " "	. . June 1-3 . .	1826
Ninth . . . .	Baltimore " " "	. . June 7-9 . .	1827
Tenth . . . .	Boston . . . Rev. Maskell M. Carll . .	Aug. 14-16 . .	1828
Eleventh . . . .	Boston . . . Rev. Lewis Beers . . . .	Aug. 13-15 . .	1829
Twelfth . . . .	Philadelphia, Rev. John Hargrove . .	June 3-5 . .	1830
Thirteenth . . . .	New York " " "	. . June 2-4 . .	1831
Fourteenth . . . .	Boston . . . Rev. Thomas Worcester	Aug. 16 . .	1832
Fifteenth . . . .	Boston . . . Rev. Lewis Beers . . . .	June 6-8 . .	1833
Sixteenth . . . .	Philadelphia, Rev. Charles I. Doughty	June 5-7 . .	1834
Seventeenth . . . .	New York " " "	June 11-13 . .	1835
Eighteenth . . . .	Boston . . . " " "	June 16-18 . .	1836
Nineteenth . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	June 1-3 . .	1837
Twenty-first . . . .	New York " " "	June 14-16 . .	1838
Twenty-Second . . . .	Boston . . . Rev. Thomas Worcester	June 12-15 . .	1839
Twenty-Third . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	June 3-7 . .	1840
Twenty-Fourth . . . .	New York " " "	June 2-4 . .	1841
Twenty-Fifth . . . .	Boston . . . " " "	June 8-11 . .	1842
Twenty-Sixth . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	June 14-16 . .	1843
Twenty-Seventh . . . .	New York " " "	June 12-14 . .	1844
Twenty-Eighth . . . .	Boston . . . " " "	June 11-15 . .	1845
Twenty-Ninth . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	June 10-13 . .	1846
Thirtieth . . . .	New York " " "	June 9-13 . .	1847
Thirty-First . . . .	Boston . . . " " "	June 14-19 . .	1848
Thirty-Second . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	June 13-17 . .	1849
Thirty-Third . . . .	New York Rev. Maskell M. Carll . .	June 12-15 . .	1850
Thirty-Fourth . . . .	Boston . . . Rev. Thomas Worcester	June 11-15 . .	1851
Thirty-Fifth . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	June 9-13 . .	1852
Thirty-Sixth . . . .	Chicago . . . " " "	June 8-12 . .	1853
Thirty-Seventh . . . .	Portland . . . " " "	June 21-25 . .	1854
Thirty-Eighth . . . .	Boston . . . " " "	June 27-July 1, . .	1855
Thirty-Ninth . . . .	Philadelphia " " "	June 4-8 . .	1856
	Cincinnati " " "	June 10-14 . .	1857

No. of Meeting.	Place of Meeting.	President.	Date of Meeting.
Fortieth . . .	Boston . . .	Rev. Thomas Worcester	June 9-13 . . 1858
Forty-First . . .	Philadelphia " "	" "	June 8-12 . . 1859
Forty-Second . . .	Chicago " "	" "	June 20-24 . . 1860
Forty-Third . . .	Boston . . .	" "	June 11-15 . . 1862
Forty-Fourth . . .	Philadelphia " "	" "	June 10-14 . . 1863
Forty-Fifth . . .	New York " "	" "	June 8-12 . . 1864
Forty-Sixth . . .	Chicago " "	" "	June 14-18 . . 1865
Forty-Seventh . . .	Boston . . .	" "	June 1-5 . . 1866
Forty-Eighth . . .	Cincinnati " "	" "	June 7-11 . . 1867
Forty-Ninth . . .	Portland . . .	" "	July 10-14 . . 1868
Fiftieth . . .	New York " "	" "	June 16-20 . . 1869
Fifty-First . . .	Philadelphia " "	" "	June 17-21 . . 1870
Fifty-Second . . .	Chicago " "	" "	June 9-13 . . 1871
Fifty-Third . . .	Boston . . .	" "	June 7-18 . . 1872
Fifty-Fourth . . .	Cincinnati " "	" "	June 6-10 . . 1873
Fifty-Fifth . . .	New York	Rev. Chauncey Giles	June 4-8 . . 1875
Fifty-Sixth . . .	Philadelphia " "	" "	June 9-13 . . 1876
Fifty-Seventh . . .	Cincinnati " "	" "	June 1-5 . . 1877
Fifty-Eighth . . .	Boston . . .	" "	May 31-June 4, 1878
Fifty-Ninth . . .	New York " "	" "	May 30-June 3, 1879
Sixtieth . . .	Portland " "	" "	June 18-21 . . 1880
Sixty-First . . .	Washington " "	" "	May 20-23 . . 1881
Sixty-Second . . .	Chicago " "	" "	June 9-13 . . 1882
Sixty-Third . . .	Boston . . .	" "	June 1-5 . . 1883
Sixty-Fourth . . .	Philadelphia " "	" "	May 29-31 . . 1884
Sixty-Fifth . . .	Cincinnati " "	" "	May 28-31 . . 1885
Sixty-Sixth . . .	New York " "	" "	May 27-30 . . 1886
Sixty-Seventh . . .	Detroit . . .	" "	June 9-12 . . 1887
Sixty-Eighth . . .	Boston . . .	" "	May 19-22 . . 1888
Sixty-Ninth . . .	Washington " "	" "	May 25-28 . . 1889
Seventieth . . .	Chicago . . .	" "	June 21-24 . . 1890
Seventy-First . . .	Philadelphia " "	" "	May 23-26 . . 1891
Seventy-Second . . .	Cincinnati " "	" "	May 14-17 . . 1892
Seventy-Third . . .	New York " "	" "	May 27-30 . . 1893
Seventy-Fourth . . .	Boston . . Rev. John Worcester	" "	June 9-12 . . 1894
Seventy-Fifth . . .	Philadelphia " "	" "	June 1-4 . . 1895
Seventy-Sixth . . .	Washington " "	" "	May 2-5 . . 1896
Seventy-Seventh . . .	St. Louis " "	" "	May 15-18 . . 1897
Seventy-Eighth . . .	Cleveland " "	" "	June 11-14 . . 1898
Seventy-Ninth . . .	Boston . . .	" "	June 3-6 . . 1899
Eightieth . . .	Cincinnati	Rev. Samuel S. Seward	May 26-29 . . 1900
Eighty-First . . .	Brooklyn " "	" "	June 1-4 . . 1901
Eighty-Second . . .	Philadelphia " "	" "	May 24-27 . . 1902

Eighty-Third	Chicago	Rev. Samuel S. Seward	.	June 27-30	.	1903	
Eighty-Fourth	Washington	"	"	"	May 21-24	.	1904
Eighty-Fifth	Boston	"	"	"	June 10-14	.	1905
Eighty-Sixth	Cincinnati	"	"	"	May 19-23	.	1906
Eighty-Seventh	Philadelphia	"	"	"	May 18-22	.	1907
Eighty-Eighth	Cleveland and Lakewood, Ohio		Rev. Samuel S. Seward	.	June 13-17	.	1908
Eighty-Ninth	Brockton	"	"	"	June 12-16	.	1909
Ninetieth	New York	"	"	"	May 21-25	.	1910

## Directory.

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WITH THE GENERAL CONVENTION, WITH THE NAMES OF  
MINISTERS OR LEADERS.

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Norway, Mr. J. William Schloeman.

## KANSAS.

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Pretty Prairie.

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Fryeburg, Rev. Baman N. Stone, Pastor.  
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## MARYLAND.

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 Brockton, Plymouth County, Main and Crescent Sts., Rev. Paul Sperry, 129 W. Elm St.  
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 Waltham, Middlesex County, Lexington St., Benjamin Worcester, Leader.  
 Yarmouth, Barnstable County.

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 Detroit, Cass Ave. and High St., Rev. S. S. Seward, 3087 West Grand Boulevard.  
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## Recommendations

### OF THE COMMITTEE OF LAWYERS ON BEQUESTS AND DEVISES, ADOPTED 1883.

*First.* The committee earnestly recommend that any person intending to make testamentary disposition of his or her property in favor of the General Convention, or any of its organized agencies in the various uses of the Church, should consult able counsel and be guided by them. The committee desire to call especial attention to this recommendation, and state as their reason for doing so, that the examination made by them of the very different laws of the several States absolutely demonstrates the utmost necessity for this course.

*Second.* They also submit the following technical suggestions: Unless perfectly certain that the laws of the State where the property is situate permit foreign corporations for charitable purposes to hold real estate, do not make devises of real estate to the Convention, or any of its various Boards, but make a bequest of a given amount of money or other personal property. But where the property to be disposed of consists in whole or in part of real estate, the will disposing of the same should contain an express direction to the executor to sell and convert the real estate to enable them to pay the legacies. This direction is absolutely necessary in the case of real estate situate in the States of California, Dakota, Delaware, Maryland, Mississippi, New York, Pennsylvania, and probably in other States.

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HELD IN CHICAGO, ILL., FROM SATURDAY, JUNE 10  
THROUGH WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 1911

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Saturday, June 10, 1911.

1. The ministers, delegates and visitors at the Ninety-First Annual Session of the General Convention assembled in the Hotel La Salle, Chicago, at twelve o'clock noon. Religious service was conducted by the President, the Rev. S. S. Seward, who delivered his Annual Address upon the subject, "The Work of the Ministry."

2. At the close of the service the business meeting was called to order by the President.

3. The President appointed the following as members of the Credential Committee: Mr. Percy McGeorge, of Delaware; Mr. Edmond P. Cobb, of Illinois and the Rev. Harold S. Conant, of Maryland.

4. The Secretary read Section 4 of the By-Laws, inviting all receivers of the doctrines of the New Church to participate in the deliberations of Convention.

5. It was *voted*, That the offerings of the Sunday morning service be devoted to the general uses of Convention and that those of the evening services be devoted to the Sunday-School Association.

6. A partial report of the General Council was presented by the Secretary and upon motion of Mr. Wm. McGeorge, Jr., duly seconded, the following preambles and resolutions, recommended by the General Council, were unanimously *adopted*:

*Whereas*, The Convention has heard the report of the General Council embodying the action of the Council of Ministers and the recommendation respecting the same and the Convention being of the opinion that the approval of such resolutions, previously discussed and adopted by the Council of Ministers and the General Council, should be made by direct vote of the Convention without further action or discussion on the subject of said resolutions at this meeting of the Convention,

*Therefore, be it resolved*, That this Convention adopts the said preambles and resolutions of the Council of Ministers as an expression of its final action and belief concerning the subjects therein mentioned, entirely agreeing with the Council of Ministers in emphatically denying that our ministers hold to, believe in, preach or practice the evils referred to in the public prints and private circulars mentioned under the names of "polygamous marriages," "concubinage," "associate wife," the "doctrine of allowableness;" and we hereby denounce such things as being forbidden by the Word of God, the writings of Swedenborg, and the faith of the Church.

7. The meeting then adjourned to meet Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

◆ Monday, June 12, 1911.

8. The Convention was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President, and Rev. Jacob Schroeder of Larned, Kan., conducted the opening service.

9. The minutes of Saturday's meeting were read and approved.

10. Reports were presented in print by the Secretary who read their titles as follows: the President, the Secretaries, the Corporation and Treasurer of the Theological School, the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, the Board of Publication, the Trustees of the Building Fund, the Trustee of the Rice Legacy, the Board of Trustees of the National Church at Washington, the Trustees of the Pension Fund, the Trustees of the Orphan Fund, the Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund, the Trustees of the Rotch Fund, Committee on Transportation, Committee on the International Swedenborg Congress, Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts, Work on Swedenborgiana in Sweden up to March 1, 1911, Trustees of the Jungerich Fund and Auditors of the same and the Bureau of Information.

The Associations: California, Canada, Illinois, Kansas, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Connecticut State, Washington State.

The Societies: Ballston, Ore; Texas General; Jacksonville, Fla.; and Denver, Colo.

The General Pastors: Rev. Messrs. John Faulkner Potts, John Goddard, Frank Sewall, William L. Worcester, James Reed, John S. Saul, S. S. Seward, Julian K. Smyth and Louis G. Hoeck.

The Ministers: Rev. Messrs. Charles Louis Carriere, O. L. Barler, Eli W. Shields, G. J. Fercken, F. L. Higgins, Samuel Worcester, Charles H. Mann, Axel Lundeberg, Joseph E. Collom and W. A. L. Campbell and Mr. T. Mower Martin.

11. A further report of the General Council advising that a bequest had been made to Convention by Miss Thirza L. Westcott, of Texas, was read by the Secretary, and on recommendation of the Council the following resolutions were *adopted*, regarding the disposition of the property so bequeathed to Convention:

*Resolved*, That the President of the General Convention be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, such good and sufficient deed or deeds as may be necessary from time to time to grant, convey and vest good title in fee simple in and to the purchaser or purchasers of any part or parts or the whole of the undivided interests in said acreage property bequeathed or devised to the General Convention by Miss Thirza L. Westcott in and by her last will and testament bearing date the 3rd of December A. D. 1910, and since her decease duly admitted to probate by the County Court of El Paso County and State of Texas, with power to affix the corporate seal of the Convention thereto, with power also to reserve vendors liens in said deed or deeds or any of them to secure the payment of unpaid purchase money with interest and with power also to release said vendors lien or liens from time to time when and as said unpaid balance or balances of purchase money is or are paid and discharged.

*Resolved also*, That in case the Recording Secretary is required by the laws of Texas to join in the execution of said deed or deeds he is hereby authorized so to do, to affix his signature thereto, and to properly acknowledge the deed or deeds so made as "the act and deed of this Convention."

12. The following Memorial to Mr. Warren Goddard,

adopted by the General Council was unanimously *adopted* by Convention by a rising vote.

**IN MEMORIAM WARREN GODDARD.**

Soon after the last meeting of Convention at New York, Warren Goddard, of Brockton, Mass., suddenly passed into the spiritual world. For several years he served our Church as a minister and then, on adopting the legal profession, he took his place on our General Council in 1893 and has retained that position to the last. We gratefully record our high appreciation of his most useful services to the Church and of that singleness of purpose and integrity of character which made him respected and beloved by all who knew him. His natural abilities combined with his love of the Church and his knowledge of her teachings acquired during his ministerial career, have made him one of our most useful laymen and our loss by his removal greater.

13. The following resolution regarding the Minnesota Association and the St. Paul Society, recommended by the General Council, was *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That the Minnesota Association be stricken from the list of constituent members of the Convention and that the St. Paul Society be admitted as a member of Convention.

14. In regard to the National Church at Washington and the completion of the Sunday School building, the following resolution, recommended by the General Council was *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That Convention authorizes and requests the Board of Trustees of the National Church to take immediate steps to complete the Sunday School building, according to the original plans presented by the architect, Prof. H. Langford Warren, or such modifications thereof as the said architect and the said Board may approve; and that the said Board be authorized to borrow such additional money as may be found necessary to complete the said building, and to secure the same by deed of trust or mortgage on the property, to be executed by the Chairman and Secretary of the said Board.

15. An invitation having been received from the Washington Society to hold the next Convention in that city, the following resolution was *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That the Convention accepts the invitation of the Washington Society of the New Jerusalem to hold the next annual meeting at the National Church in Washington City and that the time of the meeting be fixed for Saturday, May 11, 1912.

16. In accordance with the recommendation of the General Council it was voted, That the *per capita* tax shall be fifteen cents until further action.

17. The report of the Council of Ministers was read by its Secretary, the Rev. H. Clinton Hay, and the following resolutions were adopted:

*Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the Treasurer of Convention be authorized to pay the sum of \$13.00 to the New-Church League for half of the expense of publishing the chart of Daily Readings from the Word and Writings.

18. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, if the New-Church League wishes to withdraw from the arrangement of publishing a reading chart with the Convention, the Committee of the Council of Ministers on Daily Readings be authorized to assume the whole expense of publishing its chart separately.

19. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the request of the Council of Ministers, the Convention recommends to the Board of Publication, to publish, after revision by the Committee, the collection of Prayers and Rites now in type for tentative use, and to bind copies with the orders of worship as used in the several societies, according to the demand for the same.

20. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, a Roll of Deceased Ministers, in chronological order of their ordination from the beginning of the history of Convention, giving the names, dates of birth, of ordination, of death, and of the principal ministerial charges of each, with an alphabetical finding list added, shall be prepared for the *Journal* of the ninety-fifth annual session of Convention and thereafter quinquennially.

21. The Vice President was here called to the chair.

22. The Chairman announced the appointment of the following committee to make nominations for the elective members of the General Council and of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions: Rev. James Reed, Messrs. E. H. Cutler, E. A. Munger, Ezra Hyde Alden and Awbrey Shaw.

23. It was moved to dispense with a nominating committee and to have nominations from the floor. A *viva voce* vote was taken and a division called for, which resulted in a *defeat* of the motion, 30 to 32.

24. Nominations for President were made from the floor of the following: Rev. Messrs. S. S. Seward, Julian K. Smyth, James Reed, and A. B. Francisco.

25. Mr. Francisco withdrew his name and nominated the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.

26. Mr. Hoeck withdrew his name.

27. It was moved that the names of the Rev. Messrs. Francisco and Hoeck be allowed to stand. The Chairman upon putting the motion declared it carried but a division was called for and upon a count being taken the motion was lost by a vote of 16 to 32.

28. For Vice President, the Hon. Job Barnard and the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck were nominated.

For Recording Secretary, Mr. C. A. E. Spamer was nominated.

For Assistant Secretary, Mr. Paul H. Seymour was nominated.

For Treasurer, Mr. James Richard Carter was nominated.

29. It was voted, That a committee be appointed to print the ballots and the Chairman appointed Mr. J. Woodruff Saul.

30. Mr. William McGeorge, Jr., and Mr. Gideon Boericke were re-elected Trustees of the Building Fund.

31. The Rev. Messrs. John Goddard and S. S. Seward and the Hon. Job Barnard and Mr. R. A. Shaw were re-elected members of the Board of Managers of the New-Church Theological School.

32. The Hon. Job Barnard and Dr. Joseph P. Cobb were re-elected Trustees of the Pension Fund.

33. The Rev. John S. Saul and Mr. George Merrell were re-elected Trustees of the Orphan Fund.

34. The action of the General Council in voting \$300.00 to the Bureau of Information for the extension of its work was ratified.

35. The time having arrived for the Conference on Missions, the Rev. Paul Sperry, Secretary of the Board of Missions, took the Chair and short addresses were made regarding missionary activities, by Dr. L. E. Calleja of Guadalejara, Mexico; the Rev. J. B. Spiers of Richmond, Va.; Mr. T. Mower Martin of Canada and the Northwest; the Rev. Axel Lundeberg of Minneapolis, Minn.; Mr. Percy McGeorge, who spoke of the work in Texas; Mr. C. A. E. Spamer, who spoke of his experience in Japan, especially of the Japanese edition of Heaven and Hell; Mr. C. W. Clodfelter of Kansas City, Mo.; the Rev. C. A. Nussbaum of St. Louis, Mo.; and the Rev. Jacob Schroeder of Larned, Kan.

It was reported that pledges for the Board of Missions amounting to \$416.00 and \$26.85 cash had just been received.

The Secretary read a communication from the Peoria, Ill. Society donating \$100.00 to Convention for Church uses.

36. A recess of the Conference was taken and Conven-

tion called to order with Mr. Sperry in the Chair and it was voted, That the \$100.00 donated by the Peoria Society be accepted with thanks and devoted to the work of the Board of Missions.

37. The Mission Conference was re-convened and was further addressed by the Rev. M. F. Underwood of San Diego, Calif.

38. The Conference then adjourned and the Vice President of Convention took the Chair.

39. The Convention then took up for consideration the interests of Urbana University and short addresses advocating support of the University by Convention and the Church at large were made by Mr. Paul H. Seymour, Head Master of the School; the Rev. Russell Eaton; Richard Wezerek, a student of the School in preparation for the New-Church Ministry; Mr. C. A. E. Spamer; the Rev. George E. Morgan; Mrs. L. B. Bishop and the Rev. John R. Hunter.

40. The Convention then adjourned for the noon hour.

2 p. m.

41. The Convention was called to order by the Vice President.

42. The report of the Nominating Committee was read by its Chairman, the Rev. James Reed, nominating the following as members of the General Council: the Rev. Messrs. William L. Worcester, John S. Saul, Charles W. Harvey and Louis G. Hoeck and Messrs. William N. Hobart, Charles H. Cutler, William McGeorge, Jr., Robert A. Shaw, Richard B. Carter and Henry Wunsch.

For members of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, the Rev. Messrs. Julian K. Smyth, Geo. S. Wheeler and L. G. Landenberger and Messrs. C. A. E. Spamer, W. W. Towle and C. J. Cobb.

43. The report of the Board of Managers of the New-Church Theological School was read.

44. The report of the Editor and Publisher of the *New-Church Messenger* was read and accepted.

45. The Rev. Julian K. Smyth was nominated from the floor as member of the General Council.

46. The following resolution offered by the Rev. Frank Sewall was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of Convention be and is hereby requested in publishing in the Convention *Journal* the List of Constituent Bodies of the Convention (see page 203, *Journal* of 1910) to insert after the title of each Association the name and address of its President, Presiding

Minister or General Pastor as the case may require and also its Secretary and Treasurer.

47. The Secretary stated that he had received the reports of the Rev. Messrs. George Gay Daniel and Jacob Schroeder and upon being called for, they were read.

48. The order of the day being a Conference upon "Our Responsibility," the following addresses were delivered:

I. For the Maintenance of Spiritual Truth in the World, Rev. Hiram Vrooman.

II. For the Maintenance of Love and Charity, Rev. John Goddard and Mrs. E. A. Munger.

III. For the Maintenance of Worship Among Men, Rev. Julian K. Smyth.

49. It was moved by Mr. R. A. Shaw that the Chairman be requested to appoint a Committee to draft and forward to the Hon. John Bigelow a resolution expressing the affection and esteem of Convention for Mr. Bigelow.

Mr. Smyth, in seconding the motion, stated that Mr. Bigelow had, upon request, given his consent to the publication, by the Board of Publication, of an edition of his book entitled "The Bible which was lost and is found" which he recently revised.

The motion was thereupon *adopted* and the Chairman appointed the Rev. Julian K. Smyth and Mr. R. A. Shaw.

50. The Convention then adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Tuesday, June 13, 1911.

51. The Convention was called to order by the President at 10 o'clock a. m. and the devotional service was conducted by the Rev. John R. Stephenson.

52. The minutes of Monday's session were read and *approved*.

53. The Chairman of the Credential Committee, Mr. Percy McGeorge reported the roll of Convention as follows:

#### ROLL.

**CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.—Minister:** Rev. Maro F. Underwood  
**Delegate:** A. C. Christern.

**CANADA ASSOCIATION.—Ministers:** Rev. E. D. Daniels, Rev. Percy Billings.  
**Delegates:** Fred Schneider, Miss Mabel Ahrens.

**ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.—Ministers:** Rev. J. S. Saul, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, Rev. John W. Stockwell, Rev. A. B. Francisco, Rev. Louis Rich, Rev. Abraham Simons, Rev. Axel Lundeberg, Rev. Charles A. Nussbaum, Rev. L. G. Landenberger.

*Delegates:* William Niles, Mrs. A. E. Bassett, E. A. Munger, Frank Wright, C. W. Clodfelter, Miss Marie L. Davis, C. H. Cutler, Dr. Joseph P. Cobb, C. L. Moulton, Robert Matheson, Clark S. Reed, H. D. Belcher, C. J. Cobb, John F. Dabney, R. O. Barler, Philip Gross, Mrs. Alice Thatcher Post, Mrs. E. A. Munger, Miss Ruth Spaulding.

KANSAS ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. George E. Morgan, Rev. Jacob Schroeder.

*Delegates:* Mrs. George E. Morgan, J. F. Scott.

MAINE ASSOCIATION.—*Minister:* Rev. W. F. Wunsch.

MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. Frank Sewall, Rev. H. S. Conant, Rev. J. B. Spiers.

*Delegates:* Hon. Job Barnard, C. A. E. Spamer, Percy McGeorge.

MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. James Reed, Rev. H. Clinton Hay, Rev. George S. Wheeler, Rev. Paul Sperry, Rev. John Goddard, Rev. Hiram Vrooman, Rev. Warren Goddard, Rev. J. E. Werren.

*Delegates:* John E. Hubbell, J. R. Carter, Richard B. Carter, George C. Warren, Clinton B. Willey, Wesley N. Gray, Horace B. Blackmer, John F. Morrill, T. C. Thacher, Ralph D. Kettner.

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.—*Minister:* Rev. S. S. Seward.

*Delegates:* Henry Wunsch, Clarence Leith.

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. Julian K. Smyth, Rev. William Diehl, Rev. Arthur Mercer.

*Delegates:* Robert A. Shaw, Awbrey N. Shaw, Miss M. E. Shaw, Fred R. Lawrence, Mrs. Fred R. Lawrence, J. Millar Nicol, Mrs. J. Millar Nicol, Kilborn Whitman, Jr., Mrs. Joseph Mills, Miss A. Edith Abell.

OHIO ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, Rev. John R. Hunter, Rev. Charles S. Mack, Rev. Russell Eaton, Rev. Herbert C. Small.

*Delegates:* William N. Hobart, Mrs. William N. Hobart, Miss Elsie Hobart, Miss M. E. Babbitt, Fenton Lawson, Howard Hunt, Folger Snow, Miss Hazel Hunt, Miss Marie Andrews, Miss Cordelia Andrews, Miss Alice C. Sturges, Mrs. Mary H. Grosh, Mrs. Charles S. Mack, Mrs. M. F. Nicholas, Mrs. John R. Hunter, Miss Carrie Sproat, Miss Emma Sproat.

PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.—*Ministers:* Rev. John R. Stephenson, Rev. Charles W. Harvey.

*Delegates:* William McGeorge, Jr., E. H. Alden, Mrs. E. H. Alden, Adolph Ahrens, Mrs. Adolph Ahrens, Mrs. Charles W. Harvey, Mrs. Elmer E. Eldridge, Mrs. Lillian Rogers, Walter L. Rogers.

DENVER SOCIETY.—*Minister:* Rev. H. C. Dunham.

ST. PAUL SOCIETY.—*Delegate:* Edward H. Cutler.

TEXAS GENERAL SOCIETY.—*Delegate:* Miss Virginia D. Maney.

#### RECAPITULATION.

Ministers,	38
Delegates,	77
Total	115

54. During the reading of the report the Rev. A. B. Francisco moved that the name of Col. Rudolph Williams be added to the Illinois Association delegation.

The Chairman ruled this motion out of order on the ground that Associations appoint the delegates and not Societies.

55. The Rev. L. G. Landenberger rose to explain how the Illinois Association had appointed its delegates.

56. Mr. Francisco asked to be allowed to explain why Col. Williams was not appointed delegate.

The Chairman ruled this out of order for the same reason as before. Mr. Francisco appealed from the decision of the Chair and the Chair was *sustained*.

57. Mrs. Alice Thatcher Post stated that she would be willing to withdraw as delegate in favor of Col. Williams if the Convention so desired.

58. Col. Williams asked as a personal privilege to be allowed to speak. An objection was raised and the Chairman overruled the objection. An appeal was taken from the decision of the Chair and the Chair was *sustained* by a vote of 30 to 32.

59. Mr. Williams then addressed the Convention asking for an investigation and that justice be done him.

60. Mr. Smyth moved that the matter of the contested delegate of the Illinois Association be referred to the Credential Committee. After remarks by Messrs. Saul, Munger, Francisco, Shaw, Hobart and Mercer the motion was adopted.

61. The Vice President was here called to the Chair.

62. It was *voted*, To proceed with the reading of Addresses.

63. The Secretary read the Address from the English Conference and the Rev. S. S. Seward read an Address in reply which he had prepared.

64. It was *resolved*, That the Convention has listened with pleasure to the Address of the English Conference, prepared by its President, the Rev. W. H. Claxton, to the General Convention and *adopts* the Address prepared by the President of Convention as its reply.

65. The Chairman appointed Messrs. E. A. Munger and Horace B. Blackmer tellers for the election of officers and Messrs. Harbourne Belcher and Howard Hunt tellers for the election of members of the General Council and the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.

66. Dr. Sewall reported for the Committee upon the revision of the *Magnificat*.

67. Upon motion, the thanks of Convention were ex-

tended to the committee for its very laborious and successful work and the committee was continued.

68. It was *voted*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the sum of \$450.00 be appropriated for the use of its Committee on the Translation of the Word.

69. After discussion by Messrs. Sewall, Reed, Smyth and J. R. Carter, it was *voted*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, Convention recommends to the Board of Publication that the Psalter, pointed and set to music for chanting by the Committee on Liturgy Revision of the Council of Ministers, be printed in book form for tentative use.

70. The committee appointed to draft resolutions to be sent to the Hon. John Bigelow reported by reading the following telegram which had been prepared:

Hon. John Bigelow,  
The Squirrels,  
Highland Falls on Hudson, N. Y.

Chicago, Ill., June 12, 1911.

The General Convention of the New Jerusalem in session here extends to you its greetings of Christian fellowship with the profound and earnest hope for a speedy restoration to your accustomed good health. Your long and unique service to the Church and the teachings of its great seer we cherish as a heritage of lasting inspiration to all who seek to set before humanity the highest ideals of our common faith. And we rejoice in the long and active life which in so many and notable ways exemplifies the spirit of the New Jerusalem.

Yours in behalf of the Convention,

SAMUEL S. SEWARD, President.  
JOB BARNARD, Vice-President.  
C. A. E. SPAKER, Secretary.

This message was unanimously *adopted by a rising vote*.

71. The printed report of the Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts was read by the Rev. Jacob L. Werren, who offered the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the annual contribution by Convention of \$500.00 towards the salary of Mr. Stroh be continued for the coming year and,

*Resolved*, That as the first of four annual contributions the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated by Convention for the purpose of completing the invaluable work of phototyping the manuscripts of Emanuel Swedenborg.

Mr. R. B. Carter pointed out that the Committee's report was in error in stating that the American Swedenborg Finting and Publishing Society had withdrawn its support of this work.

Further remarks were made by Messrs. Nicol, Schreck and Werren.

72. At this point the tellers reported regarding the election of officers, that 86 votes had been cast as follows:

For President, Rev. S. S. Seward, 31; Rev. Julian K. Smyth, 38; Rev. James Reed, 10 and Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, 6.

For Vice-President, Hon. Job Barnard, 71 and Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, 7.

For Recording Secretary, Mr. C. A. E. Spamer, 84.

For Assistant Secretary, Mr. Paul H. Seymour, 84.

For Treasurer, Mr. James Richard Carter, 85.

73. The Chairman announced that another ballot for President would be necessary and that the other officers were *elected* as follows: Vice President, Hon Job Barnard; Recording Secretary, Mr. C. A. E. Spamer; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Paul H. Seymour and Treasurer, Mr. James Richard Carter.

74. Mr. Reed asked not to be voted for on the next ballot for President.

75. The President here took the Chair.

76. The tellers reported the second ballot for President as follows: Number of votes cast, 86; for Rev. S. S. Seward, 31; for Rev. Julian K. Smyth, 53 and for Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, 2.

77. The Rev. Julian K. Smyth was declared *elected* President and the Vice President escorted him to the platform.

78. Mr. Seward announced that he took great pleasure in introducing Mr. Smyth as the newly elected President.

79. Mr. Smyth expressed his appreciation of the honor bestowed upon him, saying that he realized many serious problems which must be met, and felt himself quite inadequate for the leadership but that he trusted that with the co-operation of Convention he might faithfully discharge the duties of the office as the Lord would have them done.

80. The Vice President was called to the chair and Mr. Seward thanked the Convention for being permitted to serve it so many years, stating that he had missed but a portion of one meeting in 42 years, during 34 of which he had served in office as follows: as Secretary 15 years; as Chairman of the Council of Ministers 6 years; as Vice President 3 years and as President 11 years.

81. Upon motion, consent was given to placing the name of the Rev. S. S. Seward upon the ballot as a member of the General Council.

82. Upon motion of Mr. Munger it was *voted*, That a special committee of three be appointed to draft and engross suitable resolutions to Mr. Seward expressing the sentiment of Convention in appreciation of his services.

83. The Chairman appointed the Rev. Messrs. Reed and Sewall and Mr. Munger.

84. Recess was then taken for the noon hour.

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2 p. m.

85. The Convention was called to order for the afternoon session by the President.

86. Mr. Werren's resolution that the contribution by Convention of \$500.00 towards the salary of Mr. Stroh be continued for the coming year was *adopted*.

87. The further resolution appropriating \$1,000.00 as the first of four annual contributions for phototyping Swedenborg's manuscripts was *adopted*.

88. It was *voted*, That the Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts be allowed to amend its report.

89. It was *voted*, That the recommendation of the General Council regarding the placing on sale of the Convention *Journal* be approved.

90. The resolutions, recommended by the General Council, regarding Archives of the Church were *adopted* as follows:

*Resolved*, I. That, with a view to collecting and preserving Records, Manuscripts and other Documents of historical value to the Church, the Convention adopts as its depository of such archives pursuant to the consent of the Board of Directors of the Theological School of the Convention, the fire proof library room of the said School in Cambridge, Mass.

*Resolved*, II. That the Secretaries of the Convention be and are hereby instructed to see that a complete file of the *Journals* of the Convention be collected and placed in this depository and that succeeding numbers be deposited there from year to year.

*Resolved*, III. That all historical papers and documents now held by the Secretaries of the Convention except such as shall be required by the Secretaries for their official use from time to time be now placed in this depository.

*Resolved*, IV. That a Committee of three on "Library and Documents," one of which Committee shall be the President of the Theological School, shall be appointed by the President of the Convention to see to the collecting, depositing and cataloging of books, manuscripts and other documents which may be donated to or otherwise procured by

the Convention; the Chairman of this Committee shall report to the Convention annually.

91. The Rev. A. B. Francisco asked permission to offer some resolutions and it was *voted*, That they be referred to the Business Committee to have a time assigned for their presentation.

92. The following memorials to deceased ministers were presented:

In memory of the Reverend George W. Chase, prepared by the Rev. Messrs. J. B. Spiers and Frank Sewall and read by Mr. Spiers was *adopted by a rising vote*.

#### IN MEMORIAM THE REVEREND GEORGE W. CHASE.

Rev. George W. Chase passed into the Spiritual World October 5, 1910, from his home in Columbus, Ga. He was ordained by Rev. Chauncey Giles in 1871 and although he was never actively engaged as a preacher, yet he was constantly doing missionary work for the New Church. He was well known throughout his state as a skillful music teacher leaving, at his decease, a Conservatory of Music in charge of his sons having 10 teachers and 125 pupils. We desire to express our appreciation of Brother Chase's loyalty to the Church, of his life of usefulness in the light of the doctrines and of the high esteem in which he was held as a New-Churchman, by every one who knew him.

In memory of the Rev. J. M. Washburn, prepared and read by the Rev. H. C. Dunham was *adopted by a rising vote*.

#### IN MEMORIAM THE REVEREND J. M. WASHBURN.

The Rev. J. M. Washburn was ordained into the ministry of the New Church in the year 1885 but did not continue long active in this capacity. He was little known to the ministers and members of the Convention, having attended few or none of our meetings. The main work of his life was in the legal profession, in which he held the reputation of an able and conscientious lawyer. In fact as well within as without the Church he was generally known as Judge Washburn. Still he found time for studious attention to the doctrines of the New Church and to write thereon extensively both in original work and correspondence. He had a keen interest in the condition and aspirations of laboring men, was the means of settling some of their strikes and also of introducing the doctrines of the New Church to many of them. Therefore, Be it Resolved, That in the passing into the other world of the Rev. J. M. Washburn the General Convention recognizes the removal of an intelligent and vigorous New-Church thinker and writer, one who was gratefully looked to by many isolated receivers for religious instruction and counsel.

In memory of Mr. Benjamin Worcester, prepared by the Rev. Messrs. Reed and Whitehead and read by Mr. Reed was *adopted by a rising vote*.

**IN MEMORIAM BENJAMIN WORCESTER.**

Benjamin Worcester, the oldest son of the late Rev. Thomas Worcester, D. D., was born in Boston nearly eighty-seven years ago and his whole life was spent in that city or its immediate neighborhood. Brought up under the influence of the New Church, he may be truly said to have spent all his days in her service. As preacher, writer and teacher, he has left behind him a record equalled by few and surpassed by none, of his contemporaries. In 1857 he received license to preach the doctrines of the Church but never assumed the full duties of a minister because his time was mostly given to other occupations. Chief among them was the work done by him in connection with the New-Church School at Waltham. With this institution he was intimately connected for more than fifty years, most of the time as its principal, yet never relinquishing the preaching office. He was a deep thinker and graceful writer and his contributions to our Church literature, including two lives of Swedenborg, one of them published but a few months ago, were of the highest value. Though of late he has taken no active part in the affairs of the general Church, he was much interested in them and frequently wrote for our periodicals. He will be gratefully remembered by his pupils scattered all over the country as well as by other friends who have directly or indirectly felt his influence. It is fitting for the Convention as a whole to pay its earnest tribute to his memory.

93. The Vice President was called to the Chair.

94. The Rev. Frank Sewall read a part of the printed report of the Committee on the International Swedenborg Congress.

95. The Rev. Jacob Werren read a corrected report of the Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts and by vote it was *approved*.

96. It was *voted*, That Mr. Schreck's name be added to this Committee.

97. The Credential Committee made a further report as follows:

The committee would report on the reference by Convention of the contest in the delegation of the Illinois Association as follows:

The point was raised by one of the constituent parts of the Chicago Society that its suggestions as to its representation on the delegation had not been accepted. But neither of the parties to the contest presented any evidence that there had been any irregularity in the action of the Executive Committee of the Illinois Association. This Committee feels, although it is no part of its duty to make any report in this regard, that the wishes of all should be duly considered, and is glad to report that the wishes of all the component parts of the Chicago Society were duly considered in the selection of the names it suggested to the Illinois Association as prospective delegates to this Convention, and that those were selected who were be-

lieved by the Executive Committee to be most truly representative of the Chicago Society.

The committee would therefore report that they find the delegates from the Illinois Association named in its original report to have been properly selected and would therefore recommend to Convention that they be seated as per the list originally presented, to wit: William Niles, Mrs. A. E. Bassett, E. A. Munger, Frank Wright, C. W. Clodfelter, Miss Maria L. Davis, C. H. Cutler, Dr. Jos. P. Cobb, C. L. Moulton, Robert Matheson, Clark S. Reed, H. D. Belcher, C. J. Cobb, John F. Dabney, R. O. Barler, Philip Gross, Mrs. Alice Thatcher Post, Mrs. E. A. Munger, Miss Ruth Spaulding.

The report was adopted.

98. It was voted, That when Convention adjourns today it shall be to meet in the dining room of the Hotel tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

99. The Business Committee announced that it had assigned Mr. Francisco's resolutions a time Wednesday morning between 11 and 12 o'clock after final reports had been received.

100. The tellers reported the ballot for elective members of the General Council as follows:—Rev. William L. Worcester 68; Rev. John S. Saul 47; Rev. Charles W. Harvey 57; Rev. Louis G. Hoeck 61; Rev. S. S. Seward 63; W. N. Hobart 72; C. H. Cutler 71; William McGeorge, Jr., 71; Robert A. Shaw 72; Richard B. Carter 67; Henry Wunsch 64; Dr. J. P. Cobb 1; E. H. Alden 1; E. A. Munger 1; and for the members of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions as follows:—Rev. J. K. Smyth 51; Rev. George S. Wheeler 68; Rev. L. G. Landenberger 64; C. A. E. Spamer 70; W. W. Towle 70; C. J. Cobb 70; Rev. S. S. Seward 13; Rev. Paul Sperry 2; Rev. John Goddard 1.

101. It was voted, That the four ministers who had received the highest number of votes as members of the General Council be declared elected.

102. The Chairman announced the newly elected General Council to consist of the following:—Rev. Messrs. Worcester, Harvey, Hoeck, and Seward, and Messrs. Hobart, Cutler, McGeorge, Shaw, Richard B. Carter and Wunsch.

103. As the President of Convention is *ex-officio* a member of the Board of Missions it was voted, That the Rev. S. S. Seward be elected to that Board to fill this vacancy.

104. The Chairman announced the following to be elected to the Board of Missions for three years:—Rev.

Messrs. Wheeler, Landenberger and Seward and Messrs. Spamer, Towle and C. J. Cobb.

105. At 3 p. m. the Convention resolved itself into a Conference on "A Lay Missionary Movement, Can we have one?" presided over by Mr. R. A. Shaw and addresses were delivered by Mrs. Alice Thatcher Post, Mr. Percy McGeorge and Mr. E. A. Munger and a report of the New-Church Lay Missionary League prepared by Mr. Otto Pfister of Cleveland was read.

106. A committee of five was appointed to further the interests of this League.

107. The Convention then adjourned.

Wednesday, June 14, 1911.

108. The Convention was called to order by the President at 10 o'clock a. m., and the Rev. H. S. Conant conducted the devotional service.

109. The Minutes of Tuesday's meeting were read and *approved*.

110. Rev. George S. Wheeler offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the General Convention declares the President of the Convention to be the acting General Pastor of all those parts of this body which are not in the jurisdiction of a General Pastor of an Association.

111. After discussion by Messrs. Whitehead, Werren and Hobart it was *voted*, To refer the above resolution to the General Council.

112. The report of the Evidence Society was read by the Rev. Warren Goddard.

113. It was moved to refer the report back to the Society to furnish statistical information and submit the same to the Secretary to be printed in the *Journal*. After remarks by Messrs. Munger, Rich and Reed, the motion was *adopted*.

114. The report of the American New-Church League was read by the Secretary.

115. As the report of the Sunday School Association was not ready it was *voted*, That it be presented to the Secretary and printed in the *Journal*.

116. A supplementary report of the General Council was read by the Secretary.

117. The report of the Literary Bureau which had been made to the General Council was called for and read by the Secretary.

118. The Vice President was called to the Chair.

119. The following resolution was *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That the Convention heartily commends the effort to continue the distribution of the pamphlet entitled "The Great Thinker" and requests the General Council through the Literary Bureau to do what it can through the coming year to further the undertaking.

120. The following resolution was *adopted* after discussion by the Rev. Messrs. Werren, Whitehead, and Lundberg, Messrs. C. A. E. Spamer, T. C. Thacher and Mrs. Joseph Mills:—

*Resolved*, That we recommend to the General Council the appropriation of a suitable sum for the employment of some expert service in reaching the press during the annual sessions of the General Convention.

121. The following resolution was *adopted by a rising vote* after remarks by Messrs. Hobart and Munger:—

*Resolved*, That the delegates and visitors to the ninety-first Annual Session of the General Convention desire to express their thanks and grateful sense of appreciation for the many and elaborate provisions made for their comfort and convenience by the Chicago Society and desire to congratulate that Society upon the successful way in which it has conquered the difficulties of travel in its city of such ample proportions by its arrangements for holding all the general meetings in the center of the city. They desire also to thank the United Leagues of Young People of the Chicago Parishes for their generous provision for the entertainment of the delegates to the League and for the delightful excursion on the lake. And finally they desire to extend their hearty thanks to the management of the Hotel La Salle for the admirable and efficient arrangement for the accommodation not only of guests but of the Convention itself.

122. It was *voted*, To change the program by advancing the religious service to 11:30 o'clock.

123. It was *voted*, That Convention approves the action of the General Council in requesting the President of Convention to meet with the several Associations as far as possible, in requesting the New York Society to release him on such Sundays and in authorizing the Treasurer to pay the President's expenses on such trips.

124. The President announced the appointment of the following committees:—

Messenger Advisory Board: C. H. Cutler, Rev. John W. Stockwell.

Committee to Raise Funds for Improvements at the Theological School; J. R. Carter, C. H. Cutler, R. A. Lewis, R. A. Shaw, W. N. Hobart.

Committee to Audit Accounts of the Trustees of the Jungerich Publication Fund: Walter C. Rodman, Ezra Hyde Alden.

Committee on Business for Convention of 1912: Rev. Frank Sewall, Chairman, Rev. H. S. Conant, Ralph P. Barnard, Richard K. Campbell, Charles G. Smith, Jr.

Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts: Rev. Messrs. J. C. Ager, J. E. Werren, John Whitehead, W. L. Worcester, E. J. E. Schreck, and Messrs. C. A. E. Spamer, B. A. Whittemore, George C. Warren.

Committee to Raise Funds for Advertising New Church Writings: George C. Warren.

Committee on the Revision of the *Magnificat*: Rev. Messrs. Frank Sewall, William L. Worcester, E. J. E. Schreck, Julian K. Smyth, Louis G. Hoeck, Charles W. Harvey.

To Audit the Treasurer's Account: H. H. Carter, W. W. Towle.

Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund: Rev. Frank Sewall, Gideon Boericke, James Richard Carter.

Committee on Transportation: Ezra Hyde Alden, Paul C. Hamlin.

Committee on Reports to the Press: Rev. Charles W. Harvey, *Chairman*; Rev. L. G. Landenberger, *Secretary*, Rev. John R. Hunter.

Committee on Education: Rev. Lewis F. Hite, *Chairman*; Rev. Messrs. Louis G. Hoeck, Thomas French, Jr., Ph.D., George H. Dole, Willam L. Worcester, Charles W. Harvey, E. J. E. Schreck, Charles S. Mack, M.D., and Warren Goddard, and Messrs. C. Riborg Mann, Ph.D., E. H. Sears, John T. Prince, Ph.D.

Representative in the Matter of the Delaware County Society: Rev. William L. Worcester.

125. The report of the Round Table was read by the Secretary.

126. The following resolutions offered by Rev. Mr. Francisco were read:—

*Resolved*, That the belief and teaching that the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg are the "Lord's Words," or the "Word of God," or that they are in any sense whatever holy, as is his most holy Bible, are false and impossible and further,

*Resolved*, That such belief, itself entirely unwarranted,

justifies grave and terrible evils of doctrine now in existence and makes possible great evils of life.

127. It was *voted*, To refer the above resolutions to the Council of Ministers.

128. A supplementary report of the Council of Ministers was read by its Secretary, the Rev. H. Clinton Hay.

129. It was *voted*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the Chairman and the Secretary of that body be authorized to remove from the list of Pastors and Ministers of the General Convention the name of William A. L. Campbell if his disavowal of charges made against him be not received within thirty days.

130. The following resolution was offered:—

*Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the following changes be made in the Roll of Ministers of the General Convention: That the names of Axel Lundeberg and Abraham Simons be added to the list of Pastors and Ministers; that the name of Ferdinand Muhlert be transferred from the list of authorized Candidates and Preachers, and be entered on that list under the date of his original ordination; and that the name of Rodney D. Book be transferred, if his ordination occurs before the printing of the *Journal*; and that the names of George W. Chase and J. M. Washburn, deceased, be removed from that list; and that the name of Joseph Edward Collom be removed from that list by his own request. That the name of Benjamin Worcester, deceased, be removed from the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers; and that the name of John Headsten be removed from that list by reason of expiration of license.

After discussion by Rev. Messrs. Diehl and Dunham, who objected to the sanctioning of Ferdinand Muhlert and Rev. J. K. Smyth, who reported that the General Pastors had made this recommendation unanimously, the resolution was *adopted*.

131. The Secretary read the minutes of the morning and afternoon sessions and they were *approved*.

132. It was *voted*, That the Secretary be requested, in printing the *Journal* to have 300 separate copies of the Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws struck off at the expense of Convention.

133. It was *voted*, That Convention stand adjourned after the noon service today.

134. A religious service was held, conducted by the

Rev. Charles W. Harvey and preceded by the baptism of Dr. L. E. Calleja by the Rev. S. S. Seward.

135. At the close of the service the 71st selection was sung and the Convention declared adjourned *sine die*.

S. S. SEWARD, *President.*

C. A. E. SPAMER, *Recording Secretary.*

PAUL H. SEYMOUR, *Assistant Secretary.*

**Memoranda.**

The Council of Ministers convened on Tuesday afternoon, June 6th, at the Hotel La Salle and continued their sessions Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The annual sermon was delivered by the Rev. Hiram Vrooman, of Providence, R. I. upon the subject "Our Responsibility for the Holy City New Jerusalem."

The annual meeting and dinner of the Alumni Association of the New-Church Theological School was held Wednesday evening, June 7th, at the Hotel La Salle. The subject discussed was "School Training for Practical Ministry" and the discussion was led by Rev. Messrs. George S. Wheeler and H. C. Small.

The American New-Church Sunday-School Association met Thursday evening, June 8th, at the Hotel La Salle with Devotional Services led by the Rev. Warren Goddard, a brief address was delivered by the President, the Rev. John W. Stockwell and the address of the evening was by the Rev. Russell Eaton upon "The Educational Value of the Sunday School" followed by a discussion led by Rev. Charles W. Harvey and Mr. R. B. Carter.

A second session was held Friday morning, June 9th, with Devotional Services conducted by the Rev. William F. Wunsch and an address upon "Methods of Home Department Work and How to Carry Them Out" was given by the Rev. Paul Sperry with a discussion opened by Dr. Christine Bergoth and Mr. E. H. Alden.

The Conference of the American New-Church League opened Friday afternoon, June 9th, at the Hotel La Salle and continued its sessions Friday evening and Saturday morning. The subject considered at the evening meeting was "Solidarity in the League."

On Saturday afternoon the United Young People's Societies of the Chicago Parishes provided a delightful excursion on the Steamer Arizona on Lake Michigan which was much enjoyed by about 250 persons. Viewed from the deck of the Steamer the panorama of the Lake front of the great city with its interesting and varied sky line was one of the notable features of the trip which afforded many opportunities for pleasant, social intercourse.

Religious services were held on Saturday evening in preparation for the Holy Supper. In the Englewood Church Rev. M. F. Under-

wood of San Diego, California, preached on the subject, "The Israelites at Elim."

At the Humboldt Park Church Rev. H. S. Conant, of Baltimore, Md., preached; subject, "The Rose-Breasted Pastor."

At the Kenwood Church Rev. William F. Wunsch, of Bath, Me., preached on the subject, "Putting Value on the Divine Omnipotence."

At the North Side Church, Rev. Warren Goddard, of Fall River, Mass., preached on the subject, "The Holy Supper: Its Meaning."

Services were held on Convention Sunday as follows:

In the morning a union service was held at the Kenwood Church, other churches being closed. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. John W. Stockwell. The Rev. James Reed of Boston, General Pastor of the Massachusetts Association, preached the sermon on "The Strength of Zion and Beautiful Garments of Jerusalem." The President of the General Convention, the Rev. S. S. Seward, administered the Holy Supper, assisted by Rev. Herbert C. Small, Rev. H. S. Conant, Rev. Warren Goddard and Rev. Geo. E. Morgan.

In the evening services were held in the four parishes.

At Kenwood Church Rev. Paul Sperry of Brockton, Mass., preached; subject, "New Churchmanship."

At the North Side Church, Rev. Russell Eaton, of Urbana, O., preached; subject, "The Christian Home and School."

At the Englewood Church Rev. John R. Stephenson of Pittsburgh preached; subject, "The Born in Zion."

At Humboldt Park Church Rev. H. C. Small of Indianapolis preached; subject, "The Great Gap in the World's Knowledge."

The offerings on Convention Sunday were as follows:

For the General uses of Convention, Union Service..	\$119.74
For the Sunday School Association—	

Kenwood .....	\$9.00
North Side .....	14.03
Englewood .....	6.50
Totals .....	<u>\$29.53</u> <u>\$119.74</u>

On Monday evening a reception was held in the "Red Room" of the Hotel La Salle which was largely attended. A delightful sphere prevailed throughout the whole evening which was much enjoyed by all present. Refreshments and dancing added to the pleasures of the occasion.

The Missionary Meeting and the Conferences, one on "Our Responsibility" and the other on "A Lay-Missionary Movement; Can We Have One?" constituting a part of the program of Convention were interesting and inspiring. The Round Table on Tuesday night considered "Our Responsibility for Fairer Relations Between

**Employer and Employee**" with addresses by Mr. George C. Warren of Boston on "Capital and Labor;" by Mr. Louis F. Post of Chicago on "Are These Relations Unfair and Why;" by Mrs. O. P. Bourland of Pontiac, Ill., on "Industrial Education, Will it Aid in the Solution of the Problem of Employer and Employee?"

A free discussion followed and the meeting was considered to be one of the best ever held by the Round Table.

The experiment of holding the Convention in a down town hotel rather than in one of the parish churches proved quite satisfactory both to visitors and local members of the church notwithstanding a few minor drawbacks. It saved much time and strength in traveling to and from distant parts of the city and promoted prompt dispatch of the business of Convention and its affiliated bodies. The arrangements made by the Chicago Society for this meeting were admirable in every respect and added greatly to the comfort, convenience and pleasure of all who were in attendance.

The hospitality of the Society was marked and cordial and nothing was overlooked in their provision for the welfare and pleasure of their guests.

**Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees.****REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.**

By Minute 20, Journal of 1910, the President was requested to write to Mr. W. M. Martin, of Solon, Iowa, expressing the pleasure of the Convention in recognizing Mr. Martin's desire to enter the ministry of the Convention, and encouraging him to do so in the manner provided for by the rules of the Convention. The President did write to Mr. Martin to this effect, and explained how it could be done, advising him to apply for authorization as a candidate for the ministry to the Presiding Minister of the Illinois Association. Mr. Martin replied, under date of June 1st, 1910, accepting the suggestions; but whether he has availed himself of them he is not aware.

Minute 39, Journal 1910, authorized and requested the President to name one or more representatives to confer with the English brethren as to co-operation in support of the research and publishing work in Sweden. The President had already done this when he heard from the English Committee on the subject, by calling the attention of the Rev. Frank Sewall, D.D., chairman of the Committee of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund, and the Rev. J. C. Ager, chairman of the Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's MSS., to the matter. Dr. Sewall was present at the London meeting to settle questions of co-operation as far as practicable; and in the absence of Mr. Ager, the President took upon himself to promise, subject to approval, such co-operation as might be desired from the Committee on Swedenborg's manuscripts. Since that time Mr. Ager, chairman of the Committee, has taken upon himself the charge of the whole matter.

In making this report, the President desires to urge upon the Convention the importance of the fullest co-operation of the Convention in this and other co-operative work. He has long felt the need of more complete co-operation of the different branches of the Church in this and other countries, in order to secure the greatest pos-

sible results at the least possible cost, and to avoid duplication of work and waste of means. He therefore welcomed the suggestion of our English brethren for conference on these lines, and did all he could to make them successful. He attended the meeting of July 11th, and regards the work done that day as by no means the least important of the proceedings connected with the International Congress. He cordially commends this subject to the earnest consideration and fullest co-operation of the Convention, under the leadership, of course, of the chairmen of the various committees interested.

The President is obliged to admit that he failed to appoint a committee to co-operate with the Esperanto Congress held in Washington, D. C., in August last. The notice of his duty in this respect did not reach him in time to do so.

The reply of the Council of Ministers to the Rev. S. Christian Bronniche's letter respecting the use of individual cups at communion (Min. 105, Jour. 1910), was forwarded to Mr. Bronniche by the Secretary of the Council. The President also conferred with Mr. Bronniche on the subject while in Copenhagen, just before his return home.

With regard to the instructions to the Buffalo Society to be given by the President "in keeping with the advice of a committee" of lawyers appointed for the purpose in case the Buffalo church property should be transferred to the Convention (see Min. 107, Jour. 1909), the President would report that the property was transferred to the New York Association, and no such advice was required on behalf of the Convention, and none was given.

The President cannot close his report without reference to the International Congress. He attended the Congress by the appointment of the Convention as its representative, and desires to express his deep appreciation of the great privilege brought within his reach. The reception he met with at the hand of our English brethren was all that could be desired. Nothing could exceed the cordiality, the thoughtfulness, and generosity with which the American visitors were treated by our hosts. All the arrangements for the Congress were of the best; every want was anticipated; no need was left unsupplied, and no expense or effort was spared to make the Congress successful. It is a pleasure to bear witness to the wisdom and devotion of the English Church in carrying on this great enterprise. It was probably the largest gath-

ering of New-Church people ever held. It was representative in its character. The use it has performed is far beyond our ken. It enjoys the unique distinction of bringing science and religion together on the same platform, and in harmony with each other. It marks an era in the progress of the human race. Your representative was invited to preside, as chairman, over the last day's session in theology; to deliver the prizes, on the Saturday evening after the Congress, to the large number of young people who had passed successful examinations in the doctrines of the Church; to preach the sermon at the great Thanksgiving and Praise Service held on Sunday afternoon after the Congress adjourned, at the old Argyle Square Church; and to take part in several other functions.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

S. S. SEWARD, *President.*

#### REPORT OF THE SECRETARIES.

The *Journal* of the Convention of 1910 was prepared and six hundred and fifty copies printed and distributed, as follows:

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By vote of the General Council passed at its special meeting in January, 1911, the Secretaries have been instructed to place the Convention *Journals* on sale in the various New-Church book rooms at a price of twenty-five cents a copy for the use of Convention, with the understanding, however, that the copies allotted to the several Associations are for free distribution to Association members in addition to those sent to ministers, delegates, officers and committeemen of Convention, libraries and foreign bodies and persons abroad.

The Minutes of the English Conference for 1910 were distributed as usual by its Secretary direct to the ministers and officers of Convention as per list furnished.

The *per capita* assessment notices were duly sent out, but in conference with the Treasurer of Convention it has been agreed that hereafter the giving of such notice should be part of the duty of the Treasurer in connection with his collection of the assessment.

The Secretaries promptly notified all officers and committeemen of Convention of their election or appointment and the Minutes of Convention and the General Council have all been recorded to date.

In reply to the Secretaries' call for reports for presentation to Convention in print as required by By-Law No. 17, which was published in the *Messenger*, fifty-six reports have been received, printed and mailed to ministers and Associations within the time prescribed by said By-Law. The same are now laid before Convention.

The several memorials adopted by the Convention at its last meeting have been engrossed and forwarded to the respective families of the deceased and an extensive correspondence conducted throughout the year.

The President and Secretaries in pursuance of the vote of Convention, after consultation with the authorities of the Chicago Society, accepted the invitation of said Society to hold the 1911 Convention in Chicago and fixed the date for June 10, and for the greater convenience of those attending selected the Hotel La Salle in which to hold its week-day sessions, the Sunday services to be held in the churches of the several parishes.

The Secretaries beg to renew very earnestly their request that in their reports Associations and Societies give

the names and addresses of their respective Secretaries and Treasurers, in addition to that of their presiding officers, for convenience of communication; also that they regularly furnish copies of their Journals for the archives of Convention whereby the Secretaries may be kept in closer touch with the constituent bodies of Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. E. SPAMER,  
PAUL H. SEYMOUR,  
*Secretaries.*

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER.**

**ACCOUNT OF J. R. CARTER, TREASURER, FOR THE YEAR  
ENDING MAY 1, 1911.**

*General Income and Expense Account.*

1910.	Dr.	\$ 14.87
May 1. Balance .....		\$ 67.16
Washington Property taxes.....	\$ 67.16	
Wyoming Taxes.....	\$ 98.42	
Wyoming Insurance to May 16, '13	17.50	
Wyoming Sewer Work.....	45.00	
Wyoming Curb Tax.....	6.47	
Wyoming Furnace .....	62.50	
	<hr/>	229.89
5 per cent. Inheritance tax H. Siebert		
Legacy .....	25.00	
Taxes Donaldson Estate.....	13.18	
Rev. S. S. Seward—		
Expenses to London.....	245.37	
Expenses to Joliet, Ill.....	16.89	
Expenses to Ohio and Illinois m'tings	17.86	
Expenses to Chicago.....	12.30	
Rev. L. G. Hoeck, expenses to London.	155.00	
Rev. H. C. Hay, expenses to New York		
Sec'y. Council of Ministers.....	18.40	
Rev. H. S. Conant, Trans. of Word ....	450.00	
Alfred Stroh.....	487.25	
Printing circulars—Appeal for funds		
Stockholm Church.....	12.00	
Printing and mailing calendar N. C.		
League .....	35.00	
Printing 60 constitutions for Council of		
Ministers .....	11.25	
Printing 700 pamphlets for Council of		
Ministers .....	18.75	
Kramph Case, expenses.....	1,598.50	
Deffenbaugh Case, expenses.....	29.80	
Brandeis, Dunbar & Nutter, legal advice		
Security Safe Deposit Vaults, rent.....	3.00	
Renewal Treasurer's Bond.....	20.00	
Insurance on books—Boston Storage		
Warehouse .....	30.00	
Collection on checks.....	16.56	
Accrued interest on 5 Equitable Gas		
and Electric Co. Bonds.....	11.49	
Telegrams to secure berths for London		
Party .....	62.50	
Telegrams to and from J. R. Carter,		
Convention .....	2.28	
Telegrams to C. H. Cutler regarding Bis-		
sell Report.....	.98	
Academy Book Room—bible .....	1.00	
N. C. Bd. of Publication—copies of		
Rites and Sacraments .....	4.30	
	<hr/>	8.42
Amounts carried forward .....	\$3,603.64	\$ 14.87

<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	\$ 3,603.64	\$ 14.87
Paul H. Seymour—postage and stenographer's fee, copying minutes 1910		
<i>Journal .....</i>	8.80	
Clerical work and expense Treasurer..	350.00	
Samuel Usher, bill for Prayers and Rites ordered paid by General Council January, 19, 1911.....	559.50	
Paid Board of Publication—		
Income Richards Fund.....\$ 30.00		
1-3 Income Ropes (B. & A. div.) .....	1,910.41	
		1,940.41
<b>Traveling Expenses — General Council Meeting, New York—</b>		
Richard B. Carter..... \$ 18.60		
Rev. Louis G. Hoeck..... 41.00		
Paul H. Seymour..... 39.90		
Rev. John S. Saul..... 55.65		
C. A. E. Spamer..... 26.12		
Rev. C. H. Harvey..... 15.00		
Rev. S. S. Seward..... 40.95		
W. N. Hobart..... 45.50		
J. R. Carter..... 12.50		
		295.22
<b>Paid Board of Missions—</b>		
Income Donaldson Fund..... 68.54		
½ Income Wilkins Fund..... 75.37		
1-3 Income Hayden (Foreign) .. 40.00		
1-3 Income Hayden (Home).. 40.00		
½ Income Kendall Fund..... 57.58		
½ Income Barker Fund..... 51.99		
Income Kimball Fund..... 40.00		
Income Officer Fund..... 40.00		
Income Lowe Fund..... 80.00		
Income Emerson Fund..... 11.20		
Income Wright Fund..... 80.00		
Income Washington Mission Fund .....	207.11	
1-3 Income Ropes (B. & A. Stock) Fund..... 1,910.41		
Income E. O. Ropes Fund.... 200.00		
Income Siebert Fund..... 20.00		
Income DuPont 4 per cent on 630 .....	\$ 25.20	
Income DuPont 5 per cent on 5000 .....	250.00	
	275.20	
		3,197.40
<b>Paid New-Church Messenger—</b>		
Income Ehrman Fund.....\$ 100.00		
Income Hammett Fund..... 16.00		
Income E. O. Ropes Endowm't 400.00		
½ Income Kendall..... 57.58		
		573.58
<i>Amounts carried forward .....</i>	\$10,528.55	\$ 14.87

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<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	\$10,528.55	\$ 14.87
<b>Paid New-Church Theological School—</b>		
<i>Income Simpkins Fund .....</i> \$ 800.00		
<i>1/2 Income Wilkins Fund .....</i>	75.37	
<i>1/2 Income Barker Fund .....</i>	47.03	
<i>1-3 Income Ropes (B. &amp; A. div.) .....</i>	1,910.43	
		<u>2,832.83</u>
		<u>13,361.88</u>
<b>Interest Credited following accounts—</b>		
<i>Lehnen Fund .....</i>	\$ 35.98	
<i>Chase Fund .....</i>	25.42	
<i>Brown Fund .....</i>	77.95	
<i>Orphanage Fund .....</i>	221.33	
<i>Nat'l Church S. S. Building...</i>	71.12	
<i>Swedenborg Memorial Fund..</i>	67.92	
		<u>499.72</u>
<i>Photolithographic Fund .....</i>	\$ 100.87	
<i>Photolithographic (White Fund)</i>	<u>180.00</u>	
		<u>280.87</u>
<b>To Balance .....</b>		<u>1,000.14</u>
		<u><u>\$15,156.88</u></u>

1910.

Cr.	
<i>Wyoming Rent .....</i> \$ 360.00	
<i>Received from H. S. Conant on account sale to Academy of—</i>	
1 Summary Hebrew Latin	
Vocabulary .....	\$ 150.00
1 Summary Greek Latin	
Vocabulary .....	75.00
	<u>225.00</u>
<i>Balance returned by Rev. Wm. Alden, Secretary-Treasurer of Sub. Committee Translation of Word.....</i>	17.28
<i>Interest on deposit Shawmut Bank....</i>	270.48
<i>Accrued interest on 7 Sierra &amp; San Francisco Bonds .....</i>	29.17
<i>Interest on Bonds—</i>	
Grand Rapids Ry. Coupons .....	\$ 500.00
Northern Texas Traction Co. Coupons.	150.00
State of New York Coupons.....	30.00
So. California Edison Co. Coupons....	583.33
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co. Coupons.....	250.00
Indiana Ry. Co. Coupons.....	500.00
Consolidated Elec. Lt. of Maine Coupons	90.00
Boston & Northern St. Ry. Co. Coupons	400.00
Houston Light & Power Co. Coupons...	500.00
Herkimer County Light & Power Co. Coupons .....	100.00
Utica Elec. Light & Power Co. Coupons	100.00
Omaha Elec. Lt. & Power Co. Coupons.	100.00
United Elec. Security Coupons.....	500.00
Utica & Mohawk Valley Coupons.....	90.00
St. Louis, Iron Mt. & Southern Coupons	150.00
<i>Amount carried forward .....</i>	<u>\$4,945.26</u>

<i>Amount brought forward</i> .....	<i>\$4,945.26</i>
Southern California & Georgia Coupons	100.00
Equitable Gas & Electric Co. Coupons.	250.00
Houston & Texas Central Coupons....	200.00
Portland General Electric Co.....	50.00
Sierra & San Francisco Coupons.....	175.00
Northern R. R. dividends.....	200.00
Boston & Albany R. R. dividends.....	5,731.25
<i>Interest on Mortgages—</i>	
Arthur C. Dyke.....	90.00
G. B. Lapham.....	300.00
Estate E. A. Whiston.....	25.37
Estate Katherine Mooney.....	300.00
D. W. Battles.....	150.00
W. J. Webber.....	36.66
	<u>12,653.54</u>
<i>Balance Convention Expense.....</i>	<i>215.83</i>
<i>Income Biasell Real Estate.....</i>	<i>2,287.61</i>
	<u><u>\$15,156.98</u></u>

May 1. Balance ..... \$1,000.14

#### *Convention Expense.*

	Dr.	Cr.
<b>1910</b>		
June 1. Paul H. Seymour, Asst. Secy. expense to Convention .....	\$ 72.55	
1. Paul Sperry, Secy. Bd. of Missions, ex- pense to Convention .....	7.59	
1. S. S. Seward, Pres., expense to Con- vention .....	35.60	
8. 400 ballots for Convention.....	3.75	
20. 1000 programs for New York Conv'tion	45.00	
20. Mass. New Church Union— 250 Advance Reports ..... \$179.00 20 galley proofs (Bd. of Mis.) 2.80 250 Treasurer's Reports ..... 41.00 Express, postage and twine .. 10.28	233.08	
Oct. 8. 650 Convention Journals .....	537.00	
Nov. 29. Express, postage and addressing Con- vention Journals .....	53.35	
<b>1911</b>	\$ 987.92	
May 1. Balance transferred to General Ex- pense Account .....	215.83	
May 23. Collection at New York .....	\$ 158.88	
Aug. 3. Collection Brooklyn Society .....	42.11	
15. Collection Orange Society .....	9.38	
Oct. 14. Maryland Association—per capita tax (1909-1910) .....	62.85	
Nov. 29. Jacksonville Society—per capita tax ..	1.95	
29. Minnesota Association—per capita tax.	5.88	
Dec. 2. Connecticut Association—per capita tax	9.00	
2. Illinois Association—per capita tax ...	136.90	
<i>Amounts carried forward</i> .....	<i>\$1,203.75</i>	<i>\$ 426.30</i>

1911	<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	\$1,203.75	\$ 426.80
2.	Maine Association—per capita tax .....	19.35	
7.	Savannah Society—per capita tax .....	2.25	
10.	Maryland Association—per capita tax .....	63.75	
13.	Massachusetts As'tion—per capita tax .....	251.25	
15.	German Synod ('08-'10)—per capita tax .....	30.00	
22.	Michigan Association—per capita tax .....	24.00	
29.	Denver Society—per capita tax .....	5.70	
Jan. 20.	Pennsylvania Ass'tion—per capita tax .....	99.15	
Feb. 24.	Los Angeles Society—per capita tax .....	7.15	
Mar. 6.	Canada Association—per capita tax .....	26.10	
Apr. 20	Pacific Coast Ass'n—per capita tax .....	14.10	
20.	Ohio Association—per capita tax .....	110.25	
21.	New York Association—per capita tax .....	91.70	
25.	Kansas Association—per capita tax .....	15.45	
29.	San Diego Society—per capita tax .....	6.00	
29.	San Francisco Society—per capita tax .....	11.25	
		<u>\$1,203.75</u>	<u>\$1,203.75</u>

*Convention Cash.*

		Dr.	Cr.
1910			
May 1.	Balance .....	\$12,955.45	
	Subscriptions for Buffalo Society .....	10.00	
	Subscriptions for Theological School Library .....	850.00	
	Western New Church Union .....	25.00	
	Estate E. A. Whiston Mortgage paid .....	500.00	
	W. J. Webber Mortgage paid .....	8,000.00	
	Scroggins Interest .....	300.00	
	Roller Interest .....	720.00	
	Vanguard Mrg. Co. on account sale Bissell Property .....	250.00	
	J. W. Martin, due on sale Bissell Property .....	7,900.00	
	Donaldson Legacy .....	1,989.70	
	Dorinda N. Shepard, 13 1/5 per cent of legacy .....	660.00	
	Income Bissell Real Estate .....	\$9229.07	
	Less payments C. H. Cutler, Agent .....	4653.85	
		<u>4,575.22</u>	
	General Expense per acc. rendered ..	12,653.54	
	Convention Expense per acc. rendered ..	1,203.75	
	Permanent Pension Fund per account rendered .....	718.13	
1911			
	Board of Publication <i>Magnifi-</i> <i>cat</i> account— Chas. Higham, editing <i>Magnifi-</i> <i>cat</i> .....	\$ 13.15	
	H. B. Warren, cover design .....	31.93	
	Leo. R. Lewis, index work .....	50.00	
	F. H. Gibson .....	1000.00	
	<i>Amounts carried forward .....</i>	\$1,095.08	\$48,310.79

<i>Amounts brought forward . . .</i>	<i>\$1,095.08</i>	<i>\$48,310.79</i>
Carter Rice & Co., 123 rms.	270.60	
Check for balance of acc. . .	2315.65	
		<i>\$ 3,681.83</i>
Paid to Illinois Association and Swedenborg Pub. Association on account of Income Bissell Real Estate . . . . .		2,387.61.
Paid to Rev. J. B. Spiers, on account Orphanage Fund . . . . .		200.00.
Paid to Theological School, Library Fund . . . . .		350.00.
Paid to T. F. French, to balance Buffalo Subscription account . . . . .		178.48
2,000 Portland Gen. Electric Co. Bonds		2,000.00
7,000 Sierra & San Francisco Power Co. Bonds . . . . .		6,475.00
5,000 Equit. Gas & Electric Co. Bonds		5,000.00
Interest allowed Swedenborg Memorial Fund . . . . .		67.92
Paid to Illinois Association on account amount due on sale of Bissell Property . . . . .		2,189.83
Paid to Swedenborg Pub. Association on account amount due them on sale of Bissell Property . . . . .		1,935.63.
General Income and Expense per account rendered . . . . .		18,361.83.
Convention Expense per acc. rendered . . . . .		987.92
Pension Fund drafts per account rendered . . . . .		1,360.83.
To Balance . . . . .		7,785.83
		<i>\$48,310.79</i>
<b>May 1. Balance on hand . . . . .</b>		<b><i>\$ 7,785.83</i></b>

	Dr.	Cr.
<i>Trial Balance.</i>		
Cash . . . . .	\$ 7,785.83	
Notes Receivable . . . . .	120.00	
Wyoming Real Estate . . . . .	3,750.00	
Pension Fund Expense . . . . .	452.11	
Vangarde Mfg. Co. . . . .	4,000.00	
<i>Mortgages:</i>		
John E. Roller, Texas . . . \$12,000.00		
J. A. Scroggins, Texas . . . 5,000.00		
G. B. Lapham, Newton . . . 6,000.00		
D. W. Battles, Brockton . . . 3,000.00		
Est. K. Mooney, Boston . . . 6,000.00		
A. C. Dyke, Bridgewater . . . 1,800.00		
	33,800.00	
Washington Church Real Estate (from which no income is derived) . . . . .	100,000.00	
Bissell Real Estate . . . . .	25,267.45	
2 Omaha Elec. Light & Power Bonds . . . . .	2,020.00	
<i>Amount carried forward . . . . .</i>	<i>\$177,194.89</i>	

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<i>Amount brought forward .. . . .</i>	\$177,194.89
10 United Elec. Securities Co. Bonds	10,262.50
2 Consolidated Electric Light Co. (Maine) Bonds .. . . .	2,020.00
1 New York State Canal Bond ....	1,000.00
655 Shares B. & A. R. R. Stock ....	147,375.00
50 Shares Northern R. R. Stock ...	5,000.00
2 Utica & M. Valley R. R. Bonds ..	2,020.00
10 Indiana Ry. Co. Bonds .. . . .	10,200.00
10 Grand Rapids Ry. Co. Bonds ...	10,250.00
2 Utica E. Light & Power Co. Bonds	2,080.00
2 S. Carolina & Georgia R. R. Bonds	2,200.00
3 St. L., Iron Mt. & S. Consol. Bonds	3,135.00
3 Northern Texas Trac. Co. Bonds .	2,760.00
5 Houston & Texas Cen. Gen. Bonds	4,450.00
2 Herkimer County Light & Power Co. Bonds .. . . .	2,000.00
5 Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co. Bonds ....	4,775.00
10 Boston & Northern St. Ry. Bonds	9,100.00
10 Houston Light. & P. Co. Bonds	10,300.00
10 So. California Edison Co. Bonds	9,750.00
2 Portland Gen. Elec. Co. Bonds ..	2,000.00
7 Sierra & San Francisco Power Co. Bonds .. . . .	6,475.00
5 Equitable Gas & Elec. Co. Bonds	5,000.00
Income Bissell Real Estate (note due Aug. 11, 1911) .. . . .	\$ 120.00
M. C. Bissell Fund .. . . .	40,000.00
Photolithographing Fund .. . . .	2,802.84
Kimball Fund .. . . .	1,000.00
White Fund .. . . .	4,500.00
Lehnens Fund .. . . .	935.66
Washington Mission Fund .. . . .	5,178.20
Chase Fund .. . . .	661.11
Richards Fund .. . . .	1,000.00
Morrison Fund .. . . .	1,905.00
Wilkins Fund .. . . .	3,768.75
Jenkins Fund .. . . .	2,000.00
Emerson Fund .. . . .	280.00
Hammett Fund .. . . .	400.00
Wales Fund .. . . .	5,000.00
Du Pont Fund .. . . .	5,630.00
Officer Fund .. . . .	1,000.00
Ford Fund .. . . .	5,000.00
Kendall Fund .. . . .	2,879.00
Simpkins Fund .. . . .	20,000.00
Hayden Fund .. . . .	3,000.00
Ehrman Fund .. . . .	2,500.00
Gardner Fund .. . . .	84.56
Siebert Fund .. . . .	500.00
Lowe Fund .. . . .	2,000.00
Wentz Fund .. . . .	1,000.00
Unexpended Income Ford Fund ...	729.07
Mary P. Ropes Fund .. . . .	73,575.00
Barker Fund .. . . .	2,599.57
<i>Amounts carried forward .. . . .</i>	<i>\$429,347.89 \$190,048.76</i>

<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	<b>\$429,347.39</b>	<b>\$190,048.76</b>
Brown Fund .....	2,026.84	
Shepard Fund .....	4,910.00	
Ryder Fund .....	1,000.00	
Webster Fund .....	10,000.00	
Wright Fund .....	2,000.00	
Orphange Fund .....	5,577.24	
National Church S. S. Building Fund	1,849.11	
Eliza O. Ropes Fund .....	73,800.00	
Eliza O. Ropes Ed. of Missions Fund	5,000.00	
Eliza O. Ropes Endowment Fund for New-Church Messenger .....	10,000.00	
Donaldson Fund .....	1,989.76	
Permanant Pension Fund .....	18,145.60	
Washington Church Fund .....	100,000.00	
Illinois Association .....	1,050.00	
Swedenborg Pub. Association .....	950.00	
General Income and Expense .....	1,000.14	
	<b>\$429,347.39</b>	<b>\$429,347.39</b>

Examined, found correct and securities on hand as stated above.

JOHN A. THOMPSON,  
H. H. CARTER.

*Photolithographing Fund.*

	Dr.	Cr.
To Balance .....	<b>\$2,802.84</b>	
<b>1910</b>		
May 1. Balance .....		<b>\$2,521.97</b>
<b>1911</b>		
May 1. Interest on Balance, May 1, '10 . \$100.87		
Interest on White Fund .....	180.00	
		280.87
	<b>\$2,802.84</b>	<b>\$2,802.84</b>
<b>1911</b>		
May 1. Balance on hand .....		<b>\$2,802.84</b>

*Orphanage Fund.*

	Dr.	Cr.
Feb. 10. Check to Rev. J. B. Spiers .....	\$ 100.00	
Apr. 29. Check to Rev. J. B. Spiers .....	100.00	
To Balance .....	5,577.24	
<b>1910</b>		
May 1. Balance on hand .....		<b>\$5,555.91</b>
<b>1911</b>		
May 1 Interest on account .....		221.33
	<b>\$5,777.24</b>	<b>\$5,777.24</b>
<b>1911</b>		
May 1. Balance on hand .....		<b>\$5,577.24</b>

*Income Bissell Property.*

	Dr.	Cr.
Taxes .....	\$1,443.08	
Repairs .....	1,143.78	
Insurance .....	455.66	
Water tax, surveying, advertising and railway expenses .....	50.92	
Commissions on Sales and Collections .....	1,556.41	
21-30th of Income paid Illinois Ass'n. ....	1,200.99	
29-30th of Income paid Swedenborg Pub. Association .....	1,086.62	
40-30th of Income credited General Ex- pense .....	2,287.61	
To Balance .....	120.00	
Rentals .....		\$8,981.57
Interest from Vanguard Mfg. Co. ....		247.50
Advance interest to Aug. 11, 1911, Van- guard Mfg. Co. (note due Aug. 11, '11)		120.00
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	\$9,349.07	\$9,349.07

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May 1: Balance (Vanguard Mfg. Co., note due  
Aug. 11, 1911) ..... \$ 120.00

The account shows cash on hand May 1st, of \$7,785.83. Since that date, \$6,000.00 has been invested in a mortgage. We are now out of debt, and it should be our aim to continue so. Our agent reports the Bissell property increasing in value. The expenditures upon it last year for repairs and improvements were larger than usual, but the latter has enabled us to ask larger rentals on a portion of the property so that our net income from it this year will be increased.

Bills amounting to \$1598.50 in connection with the Krampf case were authorized to be paid by the Council. As there will be no further expenditure in this direction, we shall have more income available for general expenses this year than last.

In considering any proposed expenditure, however, two things should always be kept in mind: First, is the purpose a wise and useful one? Second, have we the money to spend, without encroaching upon our principal?

JAMES RICHARD CARTER, Treasurer.

**A PARTIAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.**

*Whereas*, The Council of Ministers have discussed and adopted the following preambles and resolutions, namely:

*"Whereas*, There have appeared in the public prints, and in privately circulated pamphlets, statements associating the General Convention and the Ministers of the New Church with such phrases as "polygamous marriages," "concubinage," "associate wife," the "doctrine of allowableness;" and

*"Whereas*, Our ministers are said to preach, defend and protect said things; therefore be it

*"Resolved*, That we deny holding to, believing in, preaching or practising said evils, and that we, on the contrary, denounce the same as being forbidden by the Word of God, the doctrines of Emanuel Swedenborg, and the faith of the Church; and furthermore, that any minister doing these things would be expelled from our body as a disturber of our peace, a defiler of purity, a blasphemer of God's Word, and a scandalizer of our doctrines.

*"Resolved, further*, That a copy of these preambles and resolutions be sent to the Journals which have printed such expressions."

*And, Whereas*, This General Council heartily concurs with the ministers in the said declaration made by them herein,

*Therefore, Resolved*, That this Council commends to the Convention the approval of the said preambles and resolutions as expressing the view of the whole Church represented in the Convention and thereby to emphasize the truth which forms the basis of our organization, that the doctrines of the New Church are founded only on the Word of God, and for the purpose of definitely expressing such approval, the General Council hereby recommends to the Convention the adoption of the following preambles and resolutions:—

*Whereas*, The Convention has heard the report of the General Council embodying the action of the Council of Ministers and the recommendation respecting the same and the Convention being of the opinion that the approval of such resolutions previously discussed and adopted by the Council of Ministers and the General Council, should be made by direct vote of the Convention without further action or discussion on the subject of said resolutions at this meeting of the Convention,

*. Therefore, Be It Resolved,* That this Convention adopts the said preambles and resolutions of the Council of Ministers as an expression of its final action and belief concerning the subjects therein mentioned, entirely agreeing with the Council of Ministers in emphatically denying that our ministers hold to, believe in, preach or practice the evils referred to in the public prints and private circulars mentioned under the names of "polygamous marriages," "concubinage," "associate wife," the "doctrine of allowableness," and we hereby denounce such things as being forbidden by the Word of God, the writings of Swedenborg, and the faith of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. SEWARD, *Chairman.*

C. A. E. SPAMER, *Secretary.*

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#### **REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.**

The General Council has held four meetings since the last Convention; one in New York on May 25, 1910; a second in New York on January 17, 1911; a third in Chicago on June 9, and a fourth in Chicago on June 10, 1911.

In the matter of the presentation of the *de luxe* edition of Swedenborg's Theological works to the King of England and other notables, the Council reports that because of the lack of funds available for this purpose no action has been taken:

Notice of sundry bequests or devises of lots in El Paso, and of undivided interests in other tracts of land in Texas made to Convention for the performance of specific uses by Miss Thirza L. Westcott of El Paso, Texas, having been received prior to the January meeting, the matter was referred to William McGeorge, Jr., Esq., with power to act. He has submitted a full report upon the status of said property and bequests to the Church, from which it appears that it may become necessary, before another meeting of the Convention, in order to conserve the interests of the Convention and of the uses to which said undivided interests in said acreage tracts were devoted, to sell and convey the same; thereupon, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, and are recommended to Convention for its adoption:—

*Resolved*, That the President of the General Convention be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to make,

execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, such good and sufficient deed or deeds, as may be necessary from time to time to grant, convey and vest good title in fee simple in and to the purchaser or purchasers of any part of parts or the whole of the undivided interests in said acreage property bequeathed or devised to the General Convention by Miss Thirza L. Westcott, in and by her last will and testament, bearing date the 3rd day of December, A. D., 1910, and since her decease duly admitted to probate by the County Court of El Paso County, and State of Texas, with power to affix the corporate seal of the Convention thereto, with power, also to reserve vendors liens in said deed or deeds or any of them to secure the payment of unpaid purchase money, with interest, and with power also to release said vendors lien or liens, from time to time, when and as said unpaid balance or balances of purchase money is or are paid and discharged; and,

*Resolved*, That in case the Recording Secretary is required by the laws of Texas to join in the execution of said deed or deeds, he is hereby authorized so to do, to affix his signature thereto, and to properly acknowledge the deed or deeds so made as "the act and deed of this Convention."

In the matter of the property of the Buffalo Society, the Committee reported that a final disposition of the same had been made by conveying the title of the property to the New York Association.

It was voted that the *per capita* tax be 15 cents until further action.

The Council has instructed the Secretary to place the Convention *Journal* on sale in the various Book Rooms of Church at 25 cents a copy for the use of Convention, the same not to interfere with the free distribution to Associations, Ministers, Delegates and others as heretofore.

The final payments of the Dorinda N. Shepard and the Donaldson bequests were reported.

Progress was reported in the matter of reorganization of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.

The following memorial to Warren Goddard, a former member of the General Council was adopted:—

#### IN MEMORIAM WARREN GODDARD.

Soon after the last meeting of Convention at New York, Warren Goddard of Brockton, Mass., suddenly passed into the Spirituall

World. For several years he served our Church as a minister and then, upon adopting the legal profession, he took up his place on our General Council in 1893 and has retained that position to the last. We gratefully record our high appreciation of his most useful services to the Church, and of that singleness of purpose and integrity of character, which made him respected and beloved by all who knew him. His natural abilities combined with his love for the Church and his knowledge of her teachings acquired during his ministerial career, have made him one of our most useful laymen, and our loss by his removal greater.

The contributions by Convention in support of the research work of Mr. Stroh are now paid by the Treasurer through the Swedenborg Society of London by whom Mr. Stroh is employed.

It was *voted*, That the General Council commends an increase of the contributions towards the Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts.

An appropriation of \$300.00 was made for the extension of the work of the Bureau of Information.

The following resolutions for the establishment of a Depository of Archives of Convention are recommended to Convention for adoption:—

I. *Resolved*, That, with a view to collecting and preserving Records, Manuscripts and other Documents of historical value to the Church, the Convention adopts as its depository of such archives, pursuant to the consent of the Board of Directors of the Theological School of the Convention, the fire proof library room of the said School in Cambridge, Mass.

II. *Resolved*, That the Secretaries of the Convention be and are hereby instructed to see that a complete file of the *Journals* of the Convention, be collected and placed in this depository and that succeeding numbers be deposited there from year to year.

III. *Resolved*, That all historical papers and documents now held by the Secretaries of the Convention except such as shall be required by the Secretaries for their official use from time to time be now placed in this depository.

IV. *Resolved*, That a Committee of three on "Library and Documents," one of which Committee shall be the President of the Theological School, shall be appointed by the President of the Convention to see to the collecting, depositing and cataloging of books, manuscripts and other documents which may be donated to or otherwise procured by the Convention; the Chairman of this Committee shall report to the Convention annually.

A communication having been received from Mr. E. H. Cutler, stating that the Minnesota Association is now out of existence and that the St. Paul Society has made application for membership in Convention, the following resolution was adopted by the Council:—

*Resolved*, That the General Council hereby recommends to Convention that the Minnesota Association be stricken from the list of constituent members and that the St. Paul Society be admitted as a member of Convention.

In the matter of the National Church at Washington and the completion of the Sunday School building, the following resolution was recommended to Convention for adoption:—

*Resolved*, That the General Council recommends to the Convention that it authorize and request the Board of Trustees of the National Church to take immediate steps to complete the Sunday School building according to the original plans presented by the architect, Prof. H. Langford Warren, or such modifications thereof as the said architect and the said Board may approve; and that the said Board be authorized to borrow such additional money as may be found necessary to complete the said building, and to secure the same by deed of trust or mortgage on the property, to be executed by the Chairman and Secretary of the said Board.

An invitation having been received from the Washington Society to hold the next Convention in that city, the General Council adopted the following resolution:—

*Resolved*, That the General Council recommends to the Convention to accept the invitation of the Washington Society of the New Jerusalem to hold the next annual meeting at the National Church in Washington City and that the time of the meeting be fixed for Saturday, May 11, 1912.

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. SEWARD, *Chairman.*

C. A. E. SPAMER, *Secretary.*

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#### Supplementary Report of the General Council

It was voted by the Council to request the President of Convention to meet with the several Associations as far as possible, to request the New York Society to release him on such Sundays and to authorize the Treasurer to pay the President's expenses on such trips.

The sub-committee of the General Council appointed to

confer with a similar committee of the Council of Ministers on the Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws, reported that the said committees had carefully considered the proposed revision, had made certain amendments thereto and had agreed upon the following draft of the same:

**Proposed Constitution for the General Convention of the  
New Jerusalem in the United States of America.**

**AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS  
AND THE GENERAL COUNCIL.**

**ARTICLE I.**

**Name, Object and Membership.**

Section 1.—This Body shall be called the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and shall consist of all who acknowledge the doctrines of the New Church as revealed by the Lord God, the Saviour Jesus Christ, in His Word by means of the theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, and who unite with this Body in performing the general uses of a church.

Section 2.—Members of the Convention are recognized as such through their connection with Associations, Societies and other collective bodies which have been admitted by vote of the Convention.

**ARTICLE II.**

**Officers.**

The Officers of the Convention shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by ballot, and hold their offices until their successors are chosen; a Council of Ministers, consisting of all the ministers belonging to the Convention, of whom twelve shall constitute a quorum; and a General Council, consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretaries, and Treasurer, together with four ministers and six laymen, to be chosen by ballot by the Convention.

**ARTICLE III.**

**Duties and Powers.**

Section 1.—The President, Vice-President, Secretaries and Treasurer shall perform the duties implied by the names of their several offices, and such other duties as the Convention may require of them.

Section 2.—The General Council shall be the Executive Committee of the Convention, and shall have superintendence of the business of the Convention, and shall exercise the powers of the Convention in the interim of its meetings.

Section 3.—The Council of Ministers shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the doctrine and worship of the Church and to the Ministry, subject to the provisions of the Constitution.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### **Meetings and Representation.**

Section 1.—Meetings of this Convention shall be held at least tri-ennially, at such times and places as it may determine.

Section 2.—All members of this Body shall have the right to be present at its meetings, and to take part in its deliberations. They may also be appointed upon committees and elected to office. But the right to vote shall be limited to ministers of the Convention, and to the delegates of Associations and of other Bodies of the Church entitled to representation in the Convention.

Section 3.—Every such Association or other Body of the Church shall be entitled to two delegates, and an additional delegate for every fifty members.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### **The Ministry.**

*Preamble.* The Office of the Ministry exists for the sake of administering the things which pertain to "the Divine Law and Worship." The general principles of this office are taught in the treatise entitled "The New Jerusalem and Its Heavenly Doctrine," n. 311-319.

Section 1.—A member of the New Church, after a suitable preparation in the Convention Theological School as resident student, or if this is not possible, by a course of study which shall prove satisfactory to the President and Faculty of said school, may be authorized by a General Pastor to lead in worship, to teach the doctrines of the Church, to lecture, and to officiate at funerals, under his supervision, such authorization to be renewed annually. Persons so authorized shall be known as Authorized Candidates or Preachers.

Section 2.—A graduate of said School, or an Authorized Candidate or Preacher, may, with the sanction of the Convention or an Association, be ordained by a General Pastor into the office of Minister, with power, in addition to the functions set forth in section 1, to administer the sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Supper, and to administer other rites of the Church not specifically assigned to the office of General Pastor.

Section 3.—A Minister who has been invited by a society to become its Pastor, may, on presentation of the proper credentials to a General Pastor or Presiding Minister of an Association, be installed into the office of Pastor.

Section 4.—A Pastor, after a suitable term in the pastoral office may, by request of an Association of the Convention, and with the sanction of the Convention, be invested with the office of General Pastor, with power, in addition to those previously conferred, to authorize candidates and ordain ministers, while acting as Presiding Minister of an Association, or of the Convention, or at the request of any such Association. Any Minister who is President of the Convention may be invested by vote of the Convention with the powers of General Pastor; or an Association may, with the sanction of the Convention, temporarily invest the powers of General Pastor in its Presiding Minister during his continuance in office.

Section 5. —A Minister ordained by authority of the Convention, or one recognized by and acting under the rules of the Convention, shall be considered a minister and member of the Convention, and subject to its jurisdiction, until his connection therewith shall be severed by voluntary act on his part, or by authority of the Convention.

## ARTICLE VI.

### Amendments.

This Constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Convention by a two-thirds vote provided that the proposed amendment shall first be referred to the General Council, and public notice of the substance thereof shall have been given at least six months before the time of such meeting, which notice may be dispensed with for any special occasion by a three-fourths vote of the Convention.

## PROPOSED BY-LAWS

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### ARTICLE I.

#### **Religious Observances at Convention.**

Section 1.—The meetings of the Convention shall be opened by the reading of the Word and prayer, every morning.

Section 2.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered on the Sunday included in the session of the Convention.

### ARTICLE II.

#### **Enrollment of Convention.**

Section 1.—A Committee on Credentials, to consist of three persons, shall be appointed at the opening of each meeting of the Convention, to examine the credentials of the delegates, and make up the Roll of the Convention; said Committee to sit during the whole of that meeting, and to add to and correct the Roll, as may be proper.

Section 2.—All members of the New Church, who are in attendance at any session of the Convention, are invited to take seats in the meeting and inscribe their names and residences in a register to be kept for that purpose, and such registry shall entitle them to participate in its deliberations; this By-Law shall be read by the Secretary immediately after the opening of each session of the Convention.

### ARTICLE III.

#### **Order of Business.**

Section 1.—Reports and Communications shall be presented in the following order:—

- (1) Report of the President.
- (2) Report of the Secretaries.
- (3) Report of the Treasurer.
- (4) Report of the General Council.
- (5) Report of the Board of Publication.
- (6) Report of the Corporation of the Theological School.
- (7) Report of the Treasurer of the Theological School Fund.
- (8) Report of the Board of Managers of the Theological School.
- (9) Report of the Trustees of the Building Fund.

- (10) Report of the Trustees of the National Church.
- (11) Report of the Trustees of the Pension Fund.
- (12) Report of the Trustees of the Orphan Fund.
- (13) Report of the Trustee of the Rice Legacy.
- (14) Report of the Trustees of the Rotch Legacy.
- (15) Report of the Council of Ministers.
- (16) Report of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.
- (17) Report of the Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts.
- (18) Report of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association.
- (19) Report of the American New-Church League.
- (20) Reports of Associations in alphabetical order.
- (21) Reports of Societies.
- (22) Reports of General Pastors and Ministers.
- (23) Special Reports.
- (24) Unfinished Business.
- (25) New Business.

When any report called for is not ready, its presentation shall be postponed until all other regular reports have been presented in their order. This rule shall not apply to the report of the Council of Ministers or of the General Council, which may be presented as soon as prepared.

No debate shall be allowed on any of the above reports until all of them have been presented; but a motion to refer, or to adopt a recommendation, without debate, shall be in order.

The above Order of Business may be suspended at any time by a two-thirds vote.

#### ARTICLE IV. Committee on Business.

Section 1.—At each meeting of the Convention, or as soon thereafter as possible, the President shall also appoint a committee of five persons, to be called the Committee on Business, at least three of whom shall be from the Association where the next Convention is to be held, which shall prepare for the next meeting thereof and shall have charge of the general business of the Convention, and the duty of which shall be to assign the order under which different subjects shall be presented to the Convention and the time to be allotted to each subject; and to prepare and print the program of that meeting of the Convention, but such program may be changed at any time by the Convention.

Section 2.—All new business, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, shall take the form of a notice of motion, and shall be referred directly to the Business Committee without debate, to assign a time for its consideration.

## ARTICLE V.

### Parliamentary Procedure.

Section 1.—The rules and regulations which obtain in deliberative assemblies generally shall govern the proceedings of the Convention, so far as they are consistent with the by-laws.

Section 2.—The *yeas* and *nays* shall be taken whenever they are called for by one-fifth of the persons voting.

Section 3.—No member shall speak more than five minutes at one time, nor more than twice upon any subject, without the consent or leave of the Convention.

## ARTICLE VI.

### Duties of the President.

Section 1.—All Committees shall be nominated by the President of the Convention, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, or provided in the Constitution; but the Vice-President may appoint committees in the President's absence.

Section 2.—The President and Vice-President are authorized to fill vacancies on any committees, or to appoint any committees that may have been overlooked, and to send their names to the Secretary for publication in the *Journal*.

Section 3.—The President shall present an address or sermon at each meeting of the Convention, setting forth the condition and wants of the Convention.

Section 4.—The President shall from time to time address the General Conference of the New Church in Great Britain, and other general bodies of the Church or appoint some person or persons to do so. All addresses ordered by the Convention to go forth in its name shall first be submitted to the Convention or the General Council for adoption.

## ARTICLE VII.

### Duties of the Secretaries.

Section 1.—All reports of Associations, Societies, General Pastors, and unattached Ministers shall be sent to the Recording Secretary at least four weeks previous to the

meeting of the Convention, and shall be prepared by him and presented to the Convention in print. Copies shall also be mailed to the Ministers and Associations ten days prior to the opening of the Convention. So far as possible, the following reports shall also be printed and distributed with them, namely, the reports of the President, Secretaries, Treasurer, Auditors of Account of Treasurer, Board of Publication, Corporation of the Theological School, Treasurer of the Theological School, Board of Managers of the Theological School, Trustees of the New-Church Building Fund, Trustees of the National Church, Trustees of the Pension Fund, Trustees of the Orphan Fund, Trustee of the Rice Legacy, Trustees of the Rotch Legacy, Board of Home and Foreign Missions, Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts, Trustees of the Iungerich Fund, Committee to Audit Accounts of the Iungerich Fund, Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund, Committee on Transportation. The Secretary shall condense and tabulate all reports and documents which are entitled to a place in the *Journal*, as far as is consistent with giving the substance of the proceedings; he shall revise the List of Societies appended to the *Journal*; and prepare, from the statistics of the several Associations, or other collective bodies of the Church, a table of the representatives to which the Associations respectively are entitled.

Section 2.—The Secretaries of the Convention, shall constitute a Committee on the *Journal*, whose duty it shall be to procure the publication of the *Journal* entire as recorded, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention or the General Council; and such reports or other documents received by the Convention, not ordered to be printed by the Convention, as they may deem useful; with such a number of copies for distribution as the Committee shall judge necessary. For the expenses of printing the *Journal*, the Committee may draw on the Treasurer.

Section 3.—The Secretary shall, under the direction of the President, distribute to the Ministers, Societies, and Associations belonging to this Convention, the Minutes of the General Conference of the New Church in Great Britain, and other documents sent to this Convention, as soon as received. He shall also under the direction of the President distribute copies of the *Journal* of the Convention to foreign bodies or persons abroad.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### The General Council.

Section 1.—Meetings of the General Council may be called by the President and Secretaries, or any five members thereof, upon giving thirty days' notice by letter, the time to be computed from the mailing of the letter; and at all meetings of said Council seven shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2.—No appropriation of a larger sum of money than two hundred dollars shall be made by the General Council, unless a majority of the members thereof assent thereto; and no portion of the principal of the Rice Fund shall be appropriated by the council; nor shall any appropriation be made by said Council at any time, beyond the amount in the treasury available for the purposes of the appropriation.

## ARTICLE IX.

### The Council of Ministers..

Section 1.—Application for the ordination of Ministers, or the investiture of General Pastors, or other matters relating to the office of the ministry, may be first received and considered by the Council of Ministers without previous reference by the Convention and its reports on such matters as require immediate action shall be privileged.

Section 2.—The Council of Ministers shall from time to time revise the list of the ministers, and report such revision to the Convention for its action. In case a minister shall desire to be reinstated after his name has been stricken from the Roll, he shall make application to the Convention, which shall be referred to the Council of Ministers, to report thereon to the Convention.

Section 3.—Every minister ordained by authority of the Convention, and not connected with an Association or other collective body acting under the rules of the Convention, shall report his official acts to the Convention annually.

## ARTICLE X.

### Theological School.

The board of Managers to be appointed by the vote of the Convention, and to which shall be entrusted the care and conduct of the Theological School, shall consist as now of twelve elective members, four of whom shall be elected each year to serve for three years; and the Board shall elect the President of the School and he shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Board.

**ARTICLE XI.****Board of Home and Foreign Missions.**

There shall continue to be a Board of Home and Foreign Missions, consisting of the President of the Convention *ex-officio*, and eighteen elective members, nine of whom shall be ministers and nine laymen, three ministers and three laymen to be elected annually by the Convention to serve for three years. Seven members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

**ARTICLE XII.****Board of Trustees of the Building Fund.**

The Board of Trustees of the Building Fund shall continue to consist of six members, two of whom shall be elected annually by the Convention to serve for three years.

**ARTICLE XIII.****Board of Trustees of the National Church.**

The Board of Trustees of the National Church, now holding the title to and having control of the Church property in Washington City, D. C., shall continue to consist of fifteen members; and vacancies in their number shall be filled by the Board, with the approval of the President and Secretaries of the Convention; and five members shall constitute a quorum.

**ARTICLE XIV.****Board of Trustees of the Pension Fund.**

The Board of Trustees of the Pension Fund shall continue to consist of the Treasurer of the Convention *ex-officio*, and ten elective members, five of whom shall be ministers and five laymen, two to be elected annually by the Convention, to serve for five years.

**ARTICLE XV.****Board of Trustees of the Orphan Fund.**

The Board of Trustees of the Orphan Fund shall continue to consist of the Treasurer of the Convention *ex-officio*, and six elective members, three of whom shall be ministers and three laymen, two to be elected annually by the Convention, to serve for three years.

**ARTICLE XVI.****Application for Membership.**

The application of an Association or other body of the Church to be received by this Body and represented in the

General Convention, may be made through the General Council, and upon their recommendation shall come before the Convention. When the Convention has voted to receive such Association or other body, the President shall announce the names of its delegates, and invite them to come forward. He shall then inform them of the vote of the Convention, and, all the members of the Convention rising, he shall give the delegates the right hand of fellowship, and welcome them to all the privileges enjoyed by other delegates.

### Article XVII.

#### Miscellaneous Provisions.

Section 1.—All communications addressed to the Convention during the interim between its sessions, shall be sent to the President or Secretaries.

Section 2.—The Treasurer is authorized to audit the accounts of the President and Secretaries of Convention for traveling expenses in connection with each session, and to pay the same, and also the expenses of the Secretary of the Council of Ministers.

Section 3.—The Constitution and Act of Incorporation shall be re-printed with each *Journal*.

The Council adopted the revision, section by section, then adopted it as a whole and recommend its adoption by Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. SEWARD, *Chairman.*

C. A. E. SPAMER, *Secretary.*

**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.**

The Council of Ministers met in the Hotel La Salle, Chicago, Tuesday, at 3 p. m., and continued its sessions there through Wednesday and Thursday, with several added sessions Friday and Saturday. Thirty-seven ministers and two authorized candidates were present.

**THE ANNUAL SERMON.**

The annual sermon, in the absence of the Rev. George H. Dole, on account of illness, was delivered by the Rev. Hiram Vrooman, of Providence, R. I., who announced as his subject, "Our Responsibility for the Holy City New Jerusalem," from Matthew vii, 31.

**MINISTER'S MEETINGS.**

Reports were received from the secretaries of Minister's Meetings in Illinois, Maryland, and Massachusetts. The last named contained the following recommendation:—

In view of the fact that some misunderstanding of the relation of the Council of Ministers to the "Brockton Declaration" appears to have arisen, attention is now called to a declaration adopted at that time for the use of the General Council, as follows:—

"Whereas, Questions have arisen with respect to the teaching of the New Church, as contained in the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, regarding marriage and its violation, the Council of Ministers of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, hereby declares that the only rule of conduct which that teaching makes morally allowable is strict obedience to the commandment, 'Thou shalt not commit adultery,' in its letter and in its spirit; and that all forms of sexual intercourse outside of the marriage relation are forbidden thereby; and that we deny and repudiate any and all interpretations of Swedenborg's writings on the subject that are contrary thereto."

This declaration we hereby reaffirm as our present belief and rule of action.

This recommendation was adopted by a unanimous vote.

The reason for reaffirming this declaration is that it never reached the Convention and very few have known of it.

#### RESOLUTIONS FOR THE PRESS.

The Council adopted the following unanimously:—

*Whereas*, There have appeared in the public prints, and in privately circulated pamphlets, statements associating the General Council and the Ministers of the New Church with such phrases as "polygamous marriages," "concubinage," "associate wife," the "Doctrine of Allowableness," and,

*Whereas*, Our ministers are said to preach, defend, and protect said things, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we deny holding to, believing in, preaching, or practicing said evils, but that we, on the contrary, denounce the same as being forbidden by the Word of God, the doctrines of Emanuel Swedenborg, and the faith of our Church; and, furthermore, that any minister doing these things would be expelled from our body as a disturber of our peace, a defiler of purity, a blasphemer of God's Word, and a scandalizer of our doctrines.

*Resolved, further*, That a copy of these preambles and resolutions be sent to the journals which have printed such expressions.

#### DAILY READINGS FROM THE WORD AND WRITINGS.

The report of the Committee showed that readings had been selected from the Psalms and from the Old Testament, also from the *Arcana Coelestia*, but the Young People's League had changed the chart from daily to weekly readings; and in accordance with the recommendation of Convention to endeavor to reduce the cost, had sent the chart chiefly to those who had requested it and paid 5 cents each. The deficit had thus been reduced to \$26. The distribution of 2,020 copies had been made. Upon intimation that the League might not wish to continue this arrangement it was voted to recommend to Convention that in this event the Committee be authorized to assume the whole expense of publishing its chart separately. It was also voted to recommend to Convention that half the deficit for last year, namely, \$13, be paid to the League.

#### INQUIRY INTO THE NON-GROWTH OF THE NEW CHURCH.

This Committee presented a general report of the subject, which will appear in the *Messenger*, and introduced

two papers on "The Solidarity of the New Church," by the Rev. J. K. Smyth, and "The Missionary Pastor's Function in Church Extension," by the Rev. L. G. Landenberger.

#### CHARGES BROUGHT TO THE COUNCIL BY INDIVIDUALS.

Conditions at the last meeting of the Council led to the appointment of a Committee to consider the legitimacy of its considering charges brought against a minister by an individual instead of a constituent body of Convention. The Committee reported as follows, and the report was accepted:—

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution proposing an Amendment to the By-Laws, regarding charges brought by individuals against ministers of the Convention, would respectfully report that they are unprepared to recommend action at this time, for the following reasons:—

It is not clear to our minds that charges so brought are necessarily, in themselves, illegitimate. However unpleasant the consideration of them may be, can it be truthfully denied that any member of the Convention, in good standing, has a right to make them? And as to the accused minister himself, is it not a privilege which he may justly claim, to be tried by his brother ministers, that is, by his peers? While it is unquestionably desirable that all local troubles should be settled, as far as possible, in the places where they originate, it is easy to conceive of cases which could not be so settled with justice, either to the accuser or the accused. The right of petition is one which is so inherent in our institutions, both politically and ecclesiastically, that any attempt to curtail it should be made only with the greatest caution.

For these reasons, your Committee is unwilling to advise any change in the organic law of the Convention.

#### REVISION OF THE ROLL.

The Council recommends to Convention the following changes in the list of ministers:—

That the names of Axel Lundeberg and Abraham Simons be added to the list of Pastors and Ministers; that the name of Ferdinand Muhlert be transferred from the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers, and be entered on that list under the date of his original ordination; and that the name of Rodney D. Book be transferred, if his ordination occurs before the printing of the *Journal*; and

that the names of George W. Chase and J. M. Washburn, deceased, be removed from that list; and that the name of Joseph Edward Collom be removed from that list by his own request.

That the name of Benjamin Worcester, deceased, be removed from the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers; and that the name of John Headsten be removed from that list by reason of expiration of license.

#### THE TRANSLATION OF THE WORD.

The Rev. John Whitehead has been placed in charge of the work of translating as successor of the Rev. L. H. Tafel, whose efficient services are greatly missed. The work of the sub-committee this year has been on the prophet Isaiah. Mr. Whitehead has prepared the first draft of a translation of chapters i. to xxxix. Duplicates of the first few chapters with notes were sent to members of the sub-committee, but the returns have been slow. The Chairman has met each month with one member, Rev. Warren Goddard, for the purpose of revision. The progress has been slow owing to the necessity of settling some fundamental principles. Most of the time has been given to these questions. An attempt was made to confer with other members by letter, but this did not result in clearing the situation. It seems necessary at this time to settle a number of important questions that we may have a definite aim in our work of translation. These questions are:

What is the object in making the translation? Is it to be for general use in the Church, a good, smooth, readable English version? Or should we aim at a very literal rendering of the root meanings of the words? Both ideas have been expressed.

The plan we propose to follow is as follows:—

(1) That we make as exact translation of the Hebrew as possible, guided by the rational principles and usage of Swedenborg.

(2) That the translation be expressed in as perfect English as possible, for use in worship, in Sunday Schools, and families of the Church, no unnecessary departure being made from the Authorized Version.

(3) That notes be made of all the difficult points and that the root meanings be embodied in the notes when useful, as is sometimes done in the marginal readings of the Authorized Version.

(4) That the celestial and spiritual terms and the synonyms be expressed by corresponding English terms as far as this is possible.

(5) That the translation thus made be regarded as a first draft to be thoroughly revised and harmonized with itself after the whole Word has been translated.

The Council recommends that the usual appropriation, \$450, for the use of the Committee, be made.

#### *Financial Report.*

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#### *Receipts.*

May 31. Balance from previous report .....	\$ 35.96
June 22. From Treasurer of Convention .....	150.00
Dec. 27. From Treasurer of Convention .....	<u>300.00</u> \$485.96

#### *Expenditures.*

Salary of John Whitehead 1910-11.....	300.00
Freight, hauling, etc. ....	12.54
Postage and supplies .....	<u>17.77</u> \$330.31
June 4. Balance in National Bank of Baltimore....	<u>155.65</u>
	\$485.96

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. CONANT, *Treasurer.*

#### **LITURGY REVISION.**

The Committee reported that the entire book of Psalms, with other selections from the Word, had been pointed and set to appropriate music throughout, divided into sections for morning and evening services. It was voted that references to the internal sense be included. The Council recommends that this Psalter be printed in book form for tentative use.

#### **PRAYERS AND RITES.**

The Committee presented the book already in print as its report.

The Council decided to retain the form of the Lord's Prayer in present use.

With regard to the Creed, or Statement of Faith, it was decided to change the tense of the word "can" from the present to the past in the phrase, "Without Whom no mortal can be saved," so that it shall read, "Without Whom no mortal could have been saved." With other suggestions the whole matter was referred to the Committee.

It was voted to recommend to Convention to request the Board of Publication to publish the collection of Prayers and Rites, and to bind them with the orders of worship as used in the several societies according to the demand for the same.

#### REVISION OF THE BOOK OF WORSHIP.

The Council instructed the Committee on Prayers and Rites to see if there is not material enough now in hand to present next year a revised edition of the "Book of Worship," with consecutive paging, and with the revised book of "Prayers and Rites" included.

#### MEMORIALS.

Committees were appointed to prepare memorials of the deceased to present to Convention, as follows:—

Of Rev. George W. Chase, the Rev. Messrs. Sewall and Spiers.

Of Rev. J. M. Washburn, the Rev. Howard C. Dunham.

Of Benjamin Worcester, the Rev. Messrs. Reed and Whitehead.

#### ROLL OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

The Council recommends that a roll of deceased members, in chronological order of ordination from the beginning of the history of Convention, giving the names, dates of birth, of ordination, and of death, and of the principal ministerial charges of each, with an alphabetical finding list added, be prepared for the *Journal* of the ninety-fifth annual session, and thereafter quinquennially.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS G. HOECK, *Chairman.*

H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

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#### Supplementary Report of the Council of Ministers.

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#### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

The Council of Ministers considered the report of its sub-committee and, after careful revision, authorized it to confer with a sub-committee of the General Council. The two sub-committees were able to reach an agreement,

which was adopted by the Council of Ministers, and will be presented as a joint-report, to be printed and await the adoption of Convention one year.

**THE REV. WILLIAM A. L. CAMPBELL.**

The Council voted as follows:—

That the Secretary be instructed to send to the Rev. William A. L. Campbell a copy of the "Elmwood Declaration" and of the "Resolutions for the Press," together with the complaint made against him, and ask him to show why his name should not be removed from the Roll, and that Convention be asked to authorize the Chairman and Secretary of the Council of Ministers to have his name so removed if his disavowal is not received within thirty days.

**OFFICERS.**

The Rev. Louis G. Hoeck was re-elected *Chairman*; the Rev. H. Clinton Hay, *Secretary*; the Rev. James Reed was chosen to deliver the annual sermon, with Rev. George S. Wheeler as alternate.

The Chairman, the Secretary, and the Pastor of the Society with which the Council is to meet, were appointed a Committee on Program.

**HOSPITALITY.**

The following was unanimously adopted:—

*Resolved*, That the Council of Ministers express its hearty appreciation and thanks to the Chicago Society, and to the Managers of the Hotel La Salle, for the kind hospitality enjoyed during the present session of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

**LOUIS G. HOECK, *Chairman.***

**H: CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.***

## REPORTS FROM THE NEW-CHURCH THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

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### REPORT OF THE CORPORATION.

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem Church:*

At the first quarterly meeting of the Directors of the New-Church Theological School for the year just closing, announcement was made of the deaths of two of the directors, President Warren Goddard and Judge Worcester, of New York. Remarks were made by several of the directors present, congratulating the Church and the Theological School that they had been able to call to the service of the Lord in these and other uses, such efficient and devoted New-Churchmen.

Mr. William W. Towle was nominated, and was unanimously elected, by ballot, President of the Corporation for the remainder of the year.

It is with great satisfaction that we can make the report that the committee having the matter in charge was able to complete, early in the year, the construction of the fire-proof vault for storing safely the valuable books and manuscripts and other highly treasured articles belonging to the School. As was expected, since then, several gifts of great value to the school have been received and have been safely housed in this room, where they are easily accessible to the students and others who may need to consult them.

That his notes on his course in Sunday School Teaching might be put into the hands of a wider circle of students than was able to attend the lessons when given, the authority was given to President Worcester to have them printed in a convenient form and distributed as widely as he might think useful.

At the recommendation of the Board of Managers, the remaining copies of the Memorial volume of Rev. Wm. B. Hayden, are being distributed gratis, through the agency of the Massachusetts New-Church Union, to such persons as apply for them and furnish the necessary postage for transportation charges.

Mr. Worcester found it possible to take up his residence in Cambridge with his family about February 1, 1911. This seemed an event of so much importance to the School and the Cambridge Society whose church life is very intimately connected with the School, that a reception was given to Mr. Worcester and his family on the evening of February 15, under the auspices of the Board of Managers, the Board of Directors and the Cambridge Society, in the Misses Ropes Memorial Reception Room of the School. The Reception was a notable one as evidenced by the general attendance of representatives of the other Cambridge Churches and Theological Schools and the heartiness of their greetings to Mr. Worcester. Of course our own people were present in full numbers, and were warmly cordial in speech and act.

At the recommendation of the Board of Managers the Directors voted a Sabbatical Year to Rev. Lewis F. Hite and he is at the present time traveling with his family in Europe, and studying in some of the great universities along the lines of his department of Philosophy. No doubt the school will greatly profit by these opportunities of his vacation from the class room.

It is with sincere regret that the School has had to sever its connection with Rev. Charles W. Harvey, the efficient instructor in Elocution for several years. The Society in Philadelphia has certainly gained from this our loss, but we must certainly record our appreciation of his very valuable services to the School.

Respectfully submitted for the Corporation.

WM. W. TOWLE, *President.*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

**Arthur Reed, Treasurer, in account with the New-Church  
Theological School.**

1910	Dr.
<b>Apr. 1. Running Expense Account...</b>	
<b>Dividends on Stocks:</b>	
Boston & Maine R. R.....\$	96.00
Boston & Providence R. R.	50.00
Old Colony R. R.....	21.00
N. Bank of Commerce.....	40.00
Boston & Albany R. R....	140.00
Merchants National Bank ..	10.50
United Traction Co., Pitts- burg .....	2,000.00
	<hr/> \$ 2,357.50
<b>Interest on Bonds:</b>	
Maine Central R. R.....\$	290.00
American Tel. & Tel. Co...	12.88
N. Y. Central R. R.....	150.00
Terminal Assoc'n., St. Louis	120.00
Calumet & Hecla M. Co....	150.00
United Elec. Securities Co.	500.00
St. Paul Gas Co.....	50.00
Grand Rapids & M. Co....	250.00
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co....	50.00
	<hr/> \$ 1,572.88
<b>Interest on Mortgages:</b>	
First Baptist Society, Brock- ton .....	\$ 144.00
Brookline N. Church Society	315.00
Alfred and Sarah Freedman	450.00
F. C. Granger, et al.....	630.00
L. B. Terry .....	250.00
G. S. Woodman .....	200.00
Timothy M. Woods .....	225.00
M. J. Angland .....	296.25
L. J. Padelford .....	112.50
Jonathan White .....	450.00
A. J. Brainard .....	11.89
Stephen C. Lowe .....	400.00
Lucian E. Bates .....	160.00
M. D. Knowles .....	100.00
R. C. Bridgham .....	875.00
E. B. Wilbur .....	100.00
	<hr/> \$ 4,219.64
<i>Amount carried forward .....</i>	<hr/> \$ 8,150.02

<i>Amount brought forward ...</i>	<i>\$ 8,150.02</i>
Income from General Convention Funds .....	\$ 4,796.98
Randall Hall board bills repaid .....	391.85
Rent and Taxes, 42 Quincy Street .....	1,101.50
Mrs. Wright, advances to janitor repaid .....	216.00
New Church Institute of Education .....	118.78
Estate of Caroline Cox, income .....	426.18
Sale of Correspondence School notes .....	4.87
Estate of Mary Eveleth ...	235.80
Interest on bank account..	78.55
Massachusetts New-Church Union—Income L. Clark Fund .....	400.00
Telephone Receipts .....	1.05
	7,765.51
	<i>\$ 15,915.53</i>

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Salaries of Instructors.....	\$ 10,629.14
Care of buildings and grounds .....	650.79
Labor on premises .....	362.80
Advances to janitor for Mrs. Wright .....	234.00
Electric light and gas.....	41.85
Repairs .....	718.55
Fuel .....	354.92
Improvements of buildings.	16.96
Randall Hall board bills of students .....	396.35
Accrued Interest on Bonds bought .....	87.78
Taxes on house, 42 Quincy Street .....	301.50
Street watering .....	31.97
Insurance—	
School Building ..\$144.00	
Chapel Furniture .. 37.50	
House, 42 Quincy Street .. .... 60.00	
Sundries .. .... 11.00	
	252.50
Printing of Correspondence School notes .....	310.62
Expense of Board of Visitors	36.48
Appropriation for Treasurer	200.00
Sundry expenses .....	308.85
Repayment of Loan from Investment Account .....	572.47
<i>Amount carried forward .</i>	<i>\$ 15,407.03</i>

<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	<b>\$15,407.08</b>
<b>1911</b>	
<b>Apr. 1. Balance on hand .....</b>	<b>508.50</b>
	<b><u>\$ 15,915.58</u></b>
<b>E. and O. E.</b>	

**ARTHUR REED,**  
**Treasurer.**

Examined and found correct.

H. H. CARTER.

April 1st, 1911.

*Investments of the Corporation, April 1, 1911.*

**Mortgages:**—

Brookline New-Church Society .....	\$ 7,000.00
G. S. Woodman, Newton .....	4,000.00
M. J. Angland, Boston .....	5,700.00
S. C. Lowe, Newton .....	8,000.00
Jonathan White, Brockton .....	10,000.00
Lucian E. Bates, Boston .....	4,000.00
R. C. Bridgham, Newton .....	7,500.00
First Baptist Society, Brockton .....	3,200.00
Timothy M. Woods, Brockton .....	4,500.00
A. M. Granger, Boston .....	14,000.00
E. B. Wilbur, West Bridgewater .....	2,000.00
L. A. Padelford, Providence .....	2,500.00
M. D. Knowles, Providence .....	2,000.00
L. B. Terry, Brockton .....	5,000.00
Alfred and Sarah Freedman, Brockton .....	9,000.00
	<b><u>\$ 88,400.00</u></b>

**Bonds:**—

\$7,000 Maine Central R. R. ....	6,850.00
\$3,000 N. Y. Central R. R. ....	2,970.00
\$10,000 United Elec. Securities Co. ....	10,235.00
\$5,000 Grand Rapids & M. P. Co. ....	5,000.00
\$3,000 Terminal Assoc'n, St. Louis .....	3,000.00
\$1,000 St. Paul Gas Co. ....	955.00
\$3,000 Calumet & Hecla M. Co. ....	3,060.00
\$2,000 Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co. ....	1,937.50
	<b><u>\$ 34,007.50</u></b>

**Stocks:**—

800 Shares U. T. Co. Pittsburg....	\$ 40,000.00
16 Shares Boston & Albany R. R. ....	3,200.00
16 Shares Boston & Maine R. R. ....	2,042.00
3 Shares Old Colony R. R. ....	516.00
5 Shares Boston & Providence R. R. ....	1,200.00
3 Shares Merchants N. Bank, N. Y. ....	450.00
5 Shares Bank of Commerce ....	780.00
	<b><u>\$ 48,188.00</u></b>

<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	<b>\$170,595.50</b>
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<b>Amount brought forward .....</b>	<b>\$ 170,595.50</b>
Real Estate and Furniture at Cam- bridge .....	\$100,000.00
Books in library .....	2,000.00
	<u>\$102,000.00</u>
Cash on deposit in New England Trust Co. .....	1,350.07
	<u><u>\$273,945.57</u></u>

Securities examined and found correct, as above.

JAMES RICHARD CARTER,

H. H. CARTER.

Representing Funds, etc., as follows:—

Cambridge Real Estate Fund .....	\$ 25,094.35
Endowment Fund .....	68,585.07
Hayden Endowment Fund .....	30,640.21
Chapel Building Fund .....	26,368.60
Elocution Endowment Fund .....	40,000.00
Aza Weeks Fund .....	6,441.74
Henry C. Thacher Fund .....	10,000.00
Lydia Worcester Fund .....	19,922.50
R. P. Boynton Fund .....	1,683.21
Elizabeth Talbot Fund .....	1,948.03
Frances R. Gibson Fund.....	18,355.04
Land Purchase Fund .....	5,010.00
Theodore F. Wright Fund .....	2,000.00
Eliza O. Ropes Fund .....	10,000.00
Sophia Knight Fund .....	1,000.00
Eveline A. Cozzens Fund .....	2,484.75
New Library Fund .....	925.00
Expense Account Balance .....	3,244.69
R. B. Rogers Fund Balance .....	63.88
Increase and Decrease .....	178.50
	<u><u>\$273,945.57</u></u>

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.**

The Board has held five meetings during the year. At the first organization was effected by the election of the Rev. James Reed as Chairman, the Rev. H. Clinton Hay as Secretary, and the following Board of Visitors: the Rev. Messrs. Frank Sewall, Julian K. Smyth, H. Clinton Hay, George S. Wheeler, and Dr. John T. Prince and Mr. Walter A. Robinson, who have reported their visit to the school in February, including their inspection of the new fire-proof vault. It appears from this report, and from interviews with the President who is *ex-officio* a member of the Board of Managers, that the school's greatest need is more students well prepared to enter upon the courses of study provided. And we are encouraged to hope that next year will show an improvement in this respect.

Mr. Worcester's decision to make his acceptance of the Board's invitation to the Presidency of the school final by terminating his Pastorate of the Philadelphia society and taking up his residence in Cambridge was received with great satisfaction at the second meeting. But it involved the loss of the long and valued services of Professor Charles W. Harvey, who accepted a call to fill the vacancy in the Philadelphia Church. The Board voted to place the Department of Elocution under the direct supervision of President Worcester, who shall himself give instruction in the preparation and delivery of sermons, in connection with his teaching of Homiletics, while securing the assistance of those mentioned in his report, which follows, for instruction in Bible reading and in voice development. The President was also authorized to arrange for instruction in Church History for the ensuing year.

It is expected that Professor Hite, to whom the Board granted a Sabbatical year for study in Europe, will return to the charge of the Department of Philosophy in the autumn, and that the other departments of instruction will continue unchanged.

Important and extensive additions have been made to the library of the school, and much attention has been given to cataloguing and re-arranging the books, which has been rendered possible by generous appropriations from the income of the Rice Legacy.

It has been voted that the closing exercises occur this year on June 20.

The report of the President to the Board follows:

*To the Managers of the New-Church Theological School:*

The urgent need for ministers for established New-Church Societies and to serve in mission fields, leads us to wish that a larger number of students were preparing for the work of the ministry and going forth strong in the faith and in the zeal for service. Three earnest students have been in attendance through the year, and for a part of the year two others. One, Dr. R. D. Book, finishes three years work and is graduated from the school this June. Several "correspondence" students have done faithful work in Theology and in Scripture Interpretation and in the Sunday-school course. We confidently expect the men who will give their lives to this work, and are making all preparations to give those who come, whether few or many, the best possible help, deepening their Christian purpose, instructing them thoroughly in the Word and in the doctrines of the New Church, and sending them forth to do faithful loyal service. The School has its share of work to do, of burden to bear, of misunderstanding to meet and overcome; it is ready for hard work and steadfast in its loyalty to the Lord and the church of His second coming; it seeks to deserve the confidence of the church, and asks of the whole church its sympathy and co-operation.

Changes have taken place during the year in the officers of the School which will be reported by the Directors. There have also been changes in the teaching force. Professor Hite has been abroad on leave of absence for the whole year. Immediately after Easter Professor Harvey removed to Philadelphia to become Pastor of the Philadelphia First Society. Mr. Harvey has given the School fifteen years of faithful service. His main work has been in the Department of Elocution, but he has been an indefatigable worker and has given help as needed in other departments; for three years past in Church History, and during Mr. Hite's year of absence in Philosophy also. We cannot at once find one person to do the variety of work which Mr. Harvey has done. For next year the department of Elocution will have the help of Mr. George J. Parker, an experienced singing teacher, in voice development, and of Mr. Charles Townsend Copeland of Harvard College, in Bible reading. The general supervision of the department is intrusted to the President, who will give personal attention to the delivery of sermons in connection with the department of Homiletics. The Church History next year will be cared for by the Rev. William F. Wunsch of Bath,

who will visit the School on alternate weeks. The study of Languages continues with Professor Werren, the Theology with Professor Ager, and Spiritual Interpretation of the Scriptures and Homiletics, including preparation for Sunday-school work, with the President.

The fire-proof room for the safe-keeping of valuable books has been finished, and we are taking steps to put our library into good order. We are now in position to receive gifts of rare books, or to act as custodians of valuable documents or other treasures of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM L. WORCESTER, *President.*

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#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The work of this Board has been continued along lines similar to those of previous years, affording assistance in established localities, where it is needed, and undertaking new ventures where opportunity has been afforded, and the expenses were reasonable. Appropriations have been continued to the Maine Association, the Ohio Association, the California Association, for local mission work, and to the Societies in San Diego and Denver for maintenance of services. Those receiving regular salaries from the Board have been Rev. W. H. Adkins, Rev. F. L. Higgins, Rev. J. B. Spiers, Rev. J. E. Thomas, Mr. J. R. Stewart, Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz, Rev. C. J. N. Manby, Rev. S. Chr. Bronniche, and Dr. N. H. Claflin. Special appropriations for missionary trips have been made to Rev. C. W. Broomell for visiting Texas, to Rev. E. K. Bray for work in Florida, Mr. T. Mower Martin for a trip in Northwest Canada, Washington and Oregon, Rev. C. E. Ritter for Eastern Canada. Special appropriations averaging \$20 per month have been made to Dr. L. E. Calleja, for assisting in the publication of the Spanish Journal, "The New Era Herald." Assistance has been given to the publication of the new journal in Prague, Bohemia, issued by Mr. Janecek. Dr. Calleja has been invited to attend the present Convention, at the expense of the Board. Arrangements are being made for encouraging the Los Angeles Society in holding regular services and gaining strength. The most marked change has been the transfer of the Richmond Mission from the authority of the Maryland Association to the supervision

of the Board, and the payment by the Board of the whole of the salary of Rev. Junius B. Spiers, for mission work in the whole Southern Field south of the Potomac River.

The missionary correspondence of the German Synod has been turned over to this Board for action, during the past year.

The missionary tour of Rev. C. W. Broomell in Texas has revealed a large opportunity in that field for useful work by the Board and it is hoped that arrangements can be made for the locating of an effective missionary to devote his time to the building of a permanent organization in that State.

It has been thought best not to recommend the ordination of Mr. C. M. Adams, of Georgetown, B. G.

No appointment of a Supervising Missionary has yet been made, nor has the question of reorganization seemed to be any more pressing this year than last. The entire receipts for the year have been \$6,828.93, and the disbursements have been \$7,281.47. There was a balance on hand at the beginning of the year of \$3,231.42. The correspondence of the Board has greatly increased and a close touch is kept upon all the localities where the New Church is sowing seed. The chief limitation upon the advance of the Board's work is the meagerness of funds available for appropriation. There is also a scarcity of ministers available for constructive and progressive work of a missionary character. It is believed that the Board is at present showing as large a return as possible upon what the Church is investing in its mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM WARREN TOWLE, *President.*

PAUL SPERRY, *Secretary.*

Boston, Mass., 1911.

*Report of the Rev. Junius B. Spiers.*

**General Summary of Missionary Work in the South:**

The past year I have preached in Richmond thirty Sundays. Average attendance at services, twenty-seven, and at Sunday School twenty-four. In the Southern field I have visited three times each Savannah, Jacksonville, Atlanta and Chattanooga, preaching five Sundays in Savannah, one service each Sunday; five services in Jacksonville, two services each Sunday, (the Rev. Everett K. Bray preaching

at one Sunday morning service); three Sunday services in Atlanta and two in Chattanooga; two visits to New Orleans, with three Sunday services; two visits to Knoxville, with one Sunday service; one visit each with Sunday service, at Merry Mount, Apex, Southwood and Swannanoa, N. C., and Pinora, Ga., and Biloxi, Miss. Have also visited New-Church people once in Mobile, Fairhope, Ala., Lux, Miss., Decatur, Clarkston and East Point, Ga. Also Crossville, Peavine, Clinton, Harriman, Inskip, Bristol and Johnson City, Tenn., and in Virginia, Pulaski, East Radford and some other smaller places. In all, thirty-three places, delivering fifty sermons and lectures. Have made two hundred and fifty calls on one hundred and ten different families. Have administered the holy supper nineteen times to an average of ten communicants. Baptized two infants and one adult. Upwards of twenty-five hundred tracts have been distributed. There has been received in the field \$476.76, as follows: Savannah, \$95.00; Jacksonville, \$150.65; New Orleans, \$68.40; Atlanta, \$41.50; Chattanooga, \$49.00; Virginia, \$58.02; miscellaneous, \$14.00. Travelling expenses in the southern field and maintenance of the Richmond work have been met, and a balance of \$61.52 remains. It is encouraging to report an increase of interest, contributions and attendance in Richmond and in Jacksonville.

*Report of the Rev. W. H. Adkins, Winslow, Arkansas.*

I have to report as my year's work in Northwest Ark., regular monthly services held at Sulphur City, where we have an appreciative audience, and a good Sunday School, under the leadership of Brother and Sister Henner. They are taking steps there to build a house of worship. I spent some time last fall in Benton Co., where some twenty-five years ago the Rev. Adams Peabody and Dr. D. T. Rickey did considerable missionary work and distributed New-Church literature.

I find many familiar with the New-Church teachings and some wanting to hear more. One lady had read a single tract by Rev. Chauncey Giles, twenty years ago, and had been anxiously waiting, since, to learn more of the doctrines. I am supplying her with the Writings and other literature.

An old gentleman had a copy of "Skepticism and Divine Revelation," by Dr. Ellis, which he had been studying for more than twenty years. I am supplying him with literature.

Providence permitting, I shall investigate the field at Bentonville and Eureka Springs, the coming summer. Perhaps the work of those noble old missionaries may bear fruit after these many years.

I have changed my address from Brentwood to Winslow, Ark., and will be in position to devote more time to the work than heretofore.

I have delivered thirty-eight sermons and several lectures the past year besides superintending a Sunday School part of the time.

*Report of Dr. N. H. Claflin, Colporteur and Missionary  
in California.*

The method of work of the past year has been the same as heretofore, namely: trying, first, to get in touch with the ministers of the cities visited, and interesting them in the writing of Swedenborg, and seeing that they have the "gift books" if they are willing to read them; then to see if the Public Library has them and if not, get them to send for them. I call on Sunday School workers and Bible students generally, (as far as possible to find them); the school teachers and business men and women who have control of their own time. To all of these, folders are given, (such as were used last year), and New-Church literature loaned to such as are willing to read. These are seen again each week, while I am in their city, as long as they are interested. Their questions are answered and as much interest awakened in New-Church doctrines as is practicable. More literature is loaned them if they care for it, and an effort made to form an acquaintance which will result in their knowing something of our doctrines. But few persons are found who have ever read carefully any New-Church literature. There is not very much prejudice against our doctrines. I am kindly received and a respectful hearing given, as a rule. The most frequent thought expressed, as a first impression, is "There are too many churches now; why a New Church?" This leads to an explanation of what the New Church is.

I have this year visited Berkeley, Oakland, Alameda, San Francisco, Sacramento and Chico, and am just beginning in Fresno. Have reported monthly to the California Association, directing the reports to the President, Rev. J. S. David, and refer you to those reports for details.

The following is a summary of the work for the year: Books loaned, 694. Great Thinker's, 212. Hardon Lec-

tures, 149. Sermons and Helpers, 1291. Folders Printed, 10,000. Folders given, 7,908. Libraries visited, 9. Book stores selling H. H., 14. Families visited, 583. Taken part in Sunday School, 31. Ministers seen, 131. Other persons who claim to be receivers of New-Church doctrines, 53. Persons seen expressed considerable interest in our doctrines, 180. Messengers given away, 72. H. H. sold, (10c edition), mostly by book stores, 142. Have received, monthly, from the Board of Missions, \$25.00 and \$110 extra, total from Board during the year, \$410.00. From San Francisco, \$78.75. From Riverside, \$86.05. From Los Angeles, \$12.00. From Oakland, (A. A. Webber), \$5.00. Total received in California contributions during the year, \$181.80. Sum total received during the year, \$591.80.

*Report of the Rev. S. Chr. Bronniche, Copenhagen, Denmark.*

Since my last report I have kept up the work here in the usual way (except from June 23-July 17, when I had my vacation), leading the regular worship on Sundays, teaching the young people and the children, lecturing and editing the New-Church monthly "Den Nye Fid," (The New Age.)

I regret that though invited by the Board to attend the Swedenborg Congress held in London, I was—owing to a misunderstanding—prevented from going; but instead, I received a sympathetic letter from the Rev. Mr. Presland, and later on, a copy of the Transactions of the Congress, which I am now reading with great interest. I also had the pleasure of seeing here several New-Church friends from abroad: Professor J. E. Werren and Miss Werren from Cambridge, Mass., the Rev. J. C. Ager and Mrs. Ager, also from Cambridge, the Rev. S. S. Seward and finally Rev. Joseph Ashby from England. The meeting with these friends gave me indeed much encouragement.. Mr. Ager and Mr. Seward also spoke to some of the people here who came to see them in our Church hall.

The year past has, however, been a difficult one in more than one respect. The Divine worship has not been so well attended as usual, excepting the last two months. This may in some part have been due to the troubles we have had here in regard to the question of using separate cups in the Holy Supper, but it seems as if this matter now has come to an end, and both forms are used now as before. The society has hardly been able to procure the means nec-

essary to keep the work going and therefore no special lectures in other places have been arranged. The paper I have been editing has been carried on until the close of the year 1910, but I have been obliged to let the publication rest until the prospects grow more favorable.

To the young people here that meet in my home once a week, I have explained a part of the story of Moses in the spiritual sense. With the children in the Sunday School I have read some of the Psalms of David; I have also told them some general features of the life of Swedenborg.

In October I started a series of lectures in our Church hall on "Child Life and Its Bearings on Regeneration." These lectures were finished in February, and I am glad to say, drew quite audiences.

Two children and two adults have been baptized and the Holy Supper has been held three times. I have spoken at one funeral. In November I made a little trip to Stockholm, and I was present at the unveiling of Swedenborg's Sarcophagus in Upsala. From the society here, was sent a large laurel wreath with red and white bands.

One thing more I should like to mention. I am communicating with the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society in New York in regard to the publication of the Rev. Mr. Winslow's translation into Danish of "The True Christian Religion," and I hope to succeed in collecting a sum, though small, from friends in Norway and Denmark, as a contribution towards the publication. The people are looking forward to the publication hoping it will not be long before the printing of it may begin.

I am thinking of making an arrangement in the summer by means of which I may add to my income, and then return to my work here under more favorable conditions, as the economical circumstances under which I am laboring are rather grievous.

*Report of the Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz, Zurich, Switzerland.*

This year was introduced by two very unusual and pleasant occurrences: the meeting of Convention in New York and the International Swedenborg Congress in London, both of which I was enabled to attend and which were very inspiring and encouraging for me, after I had missed for some years the direct intercourse with fellow ministers and large gatherings of our Church.

On my annual journey in the fall of 1910, I first visited

some New-Church people in Stuttgart, Wurtemberg, and a clergyman of the State Church in Wiesbaden is a believer in our doctrines. In the neighborhood of Bielefeld, Westfalia, I spent a few days, delivered a public lecture which was listened to by 70 persons and in the evening I preached in the home of a New-Church man to an audience of 20 to 30 people, chiefly farmers and working men who seemed much interested and asked questions after the sermon, staying till eleven o'clock in spite of their home being distant several hours walk. Some of them came to the services ever since, which, however, are held but once a month.

In Berlin I delivered a public lecture in a well-known lecture hall; the hall which holds 220 seats was crowded by over 250 persons, many people being unable to enter. The lecture was received with much interest, and all the New-Church literature at hand was sold and distributed at the exit. Having been informed that my brother in Zurich had passed away, I had to leave for Zurich the same night to join my family and officiate at the funeral. I returned to Berlin *via* Vienna, where I administered the Holy Supper to the senior of the Vienna society who was severely ill and had longed much for the Communion; I held a service also for the congregation and then returned to Berlin.

Here I held some services, administered the Holy Supper to 34 persons and took part in the annual business meeting. I also officiated at the marriage of a young couple, both members of the society.

In Leipsic, I spent one evening with the few friends there who gather regularly throughout the year for the reading of the Writings.

I also spent some days in Prague, Bohemia, with Mr. Janecek and his Bohemian friends. I held a service in German—exactly one year after the first meeting of Bohemian New-Church believers. The outlook for the New Church there is quite hopeful. Mr. Janecek showed me his Czech translation of "H. H.," the revision of which he had just finished, and which is now being printed with the aid of the Swedenborg Society in London. In the beginning of April, the first issue of the "Novy Jerusalem" appeared, a bi-monthly journal published by Mr. Janecek. It contains a short biography of Swedenborg and ten articles on the chief points of doctrine besides extracts from the Writings. The Thursday evening meetings at the home of Mr. Janecek are well attended. He is well worthy of support, giving his whole time and labor to the Church, though he has hardly any means of his own.

In Vienna I spent one week, lectured and preached several times to the Society, and administered the Communion to forty persons. I also officiated at the funeral of Karl Stamminger, who died at the age of eighty years, being one of the founders of the New-Church Society and one of the most inspiring examples of love for the Church to the last day of his earthly life. This was the first funeral in Vienna at which a New-Church minister officiated. In Vienna it is not feasible to hold a *public* lecture on the doctrines of the New Church, since the government of the clerical party is more strict now than ever, and the propagation of the New-Church doctrine in Austria-Hungary is expressly prohibited by the act of 1858. Our society is still forced to avoid publicity; some of the leading members who hold positions in State institutions, had to deal with great difficulties last year and were in danger of losing their positions, because their superiors had learned of the Holy Supper being administered in the Society. Still the services are, as a rule, well attended, as well as the other weekly meetings. A class for instruction in the doctrines for the advanced boys and girls is held regularly by an able member.

In Budapest, Hungary, I also preached and lectured several times and administered the Holy Supper. The Society uses a very small hall for its services, so that newcomers would hardly find room; it cannot, however, hire a larger one, the rents being unusually high in that city.

In Tengelitz, Hungary, I preached several times to our small but faithful body of believers. I baptized seven children and administered the Holy Supper to eighteen persons; also in Gyorkony, a village near Tengelitz, I preached once. These German farmers have now started a New-Church Sunday School, which is quite a problem, since the young generation is fast becoming Hungarian, German being excluded from all the schools even in that German region of Hungary, and as to New-Church literature, they depend on German. Only "H. H." was published in Magyar, Hungarian, about a year ago, but only a hundred copies were sold to the great disappointment of the publisher.

I stayed some days with our Italian congregation in Trieste, where I preached and administered the Holy Supper to fourteen persons. Our Italian society is warmly interested in the New-Church education of their children; but they are in want of suitable literature and are trying, therefore, to raise means for the translation and publication of the "Religionsunterricht fur die reifere Jugend" which is

being used with success in our several German societies. They believe they would be able to raise half of the sum needed among themselves, and hope for help from our American brethren. While in Trieste, I called on Signora Nella Doria Cambon, a well-known poetess of a patrician family of Trieste, who was curious to know what the New Church was. She then published an essay in a daily paper of Trieste on Swedenborg, speaking in high praise of him and his works.

Our brethren in Austria-Hungary felt that it would be useful and encouraging, if delegates of all the isolated New-Church circles and societies in their country could meet once; so it was resolved that a General assembly should be held in Vienna, the Capital, on the 5th and 6th of this coming June.

After having visited an isolated New-Church family in Klagenfurt, Carinthia, to whom I administered the Holy Supper, I returned to Zurich.

In April, 1911, I again visited the Berlin society for a few days; I preached several times and administered the Holy Supper, baptized one infant and two adults, officiated at the marriage of two New-Church couples, and took part in the semi-annual business meeting of the society.

One great hindrance for our societies in Berlin, Vienna and Budapest is their place of worship. The prices for even a small hall are so high in these cities that our societies which are ever in financial difficulties, cannot afford to hire a place of worship which would be inviting for newcomers, nor even large enough for their present needs. A financial help in that direction would be exceedingly welcome and useful.

Our work in Switzerland is going on steadily and in good order. I preached regularly in Zurich, Bern, Herisau and Nesslau; 108 persons partook of the Holy Supper once or several times. Seven new members were received at our last annual meeting. In Zurich, too, we are very much in need of a Church home; our building fund consists of \$460 at present, which is not very encouraging in view of the fact that \$36,000.00 will be needed, but the Lord will provide.

Let me close my report with the expression of my heartfelt thanks to you for the support of every kind which you extended to my work this year in so generous a measure.

*Report of the Rev. C. J. N. Manby, Stockholm, Sweden.*

First I beg to express my deep gratitude for your Committee's kind thought in enabling me to go over to London to the great Swedenborg Congress in July.

So important I think the London Congress was that I like to call 1910 the "Congress year." And, in fact, I made that Congress very much the subject for my lectures during my short summer tour, after having returned to Sweden.

At the first place visited, Orebro, I had a special reason for talking about: "Not reform, but new building," because shortly before there was held a Congress for reforming the Church. At my lecture on that subject, on the 23rd of July, the hearers were about sixty, and the interest was very great. At the service on the following day the audience was about fifty.

Next place was Jesper Swedberg's city, Skara. There I spoke, on the 28th of July, of Swedenborg's worldwide recognition (with regard to the Swedenborg Congress), before seventy-two hearers. At the lecture, on another subject, on the following day, the hearers were fifty-two, and at the service the day afterwards 150-200. The subject for the sermon was: "A New Jerusalem, the World's Only Rescue." Of course several books were sold.

At the next place visited, Skofde—also in Westgothia, as Skara—the interest this time was very poor, as the weather was exceedingly unfavorable, horrible thunder and lightning and rain—the hearers at the first lecture (3rd of August) being only twenty-two, and at the second (4th of August) twenty-one.

The result in the next place, Boras, a busy, industrial city in Westgothia, was better. There I spoke, on the 6th of August, before at least seventy-five persons, and on the following day before about one hundred. The interest was intense, and many books were sold, amongst others ten copies of Heaven and Hell. A plenty of free literature was taken.

In a private home, not far from the railway station Winberg, near the western coast, I lectured, on the 10th of August before nineteen persons.

Next I visited the western city Halmstad (where a governor has his residence), and lectured there, on the 13th of August, before not far from sixty. Books were

sold, among others eight H. H. and four L. J., and many were distributed free.

From there I went to Skane, the very fertile province in the south of Sweden. There I preached in Christianstad on the 21st of August, in the morning, before seventy-five, and at Degeberga, in the afternoon, also before seventy-five. Books and other literature were sold and distributed, as everywhere.

The 23rd of August found me in Malmo, lecturing in the evening before not far from 250 persons. The interest, at hearing of the London Congress, was exceedingly great, bursting out at the end in loud applause. Amongst the many books sold were fourteen copies of Heaven and Hell. Masses of free literature were taken.

Counselled by a letter to visit Upsala also this summer, I, in the early morning next day, took the train directly to this, our renowned city, only staying in Stockholm for a couple of hours. In Upsala, the beautiful and large Tyris Hall, belonging to the city, had been promised to me, I may say almost with gratitude, and, after careful advertisements, I lectured there, on the 26th of August before at least 175, on the following (Saturday) evening, before sixty-three, and preached on Sunday (28th of August) before eighty-eight, amongst them several friends from Stockholm. The subjects were in a series: "Swedenborg and the Problems of the Christianity," and were: (1) "The Divinity of the Word"; (2) "The Divinity of Christ"; (3) "The Law and the Life." Books were sold for more than 25 crowns, amongst them eight copies of H. H. And large masses of free literature were taken.

And so this short but pleasant summer tour was ended; and I could return to my home and home work with a grateful heart.

The audiences at our services in Stockholm were generally very good, with an average of fifty-eight, and I think this was partly due to the great attention attracted by the celebrations here in Sweden during recent years to the memory of Swedenborg, but certainly also by the London Congress, mentioned pretty generally in the Swedish press. There are at this time many who hunger after what only the New Church can give.

At the end of July we intend to have a common New-Church meeting in Gothenburg for the Western Sweden. At the same occasion a marriage will be celebrated.

Before mid-summer I hope to have the translation of

Arcana Coelestia last volume (the 17th Swedish one—very large) accomplished. If the Lord wills the printing will be undertaken in the fall. But I do not hope to have it finished this year.

*Report of Missionary Work In Texas, by Rev. Clyde W. Broomell*

I started in March upon the following plan: To communicate with all persons in Texas whose names were available on New-Church lists or through personal acquaintance of any kind, stating my coming and asking for co-operation; to hold services wherever possible; to distribute literature; to arouse and organize the Texas people into action; and finally, to so study the State, its people, interests and needs, that the Board might become aware of all facts necessary to the choice and efficient use of such missionaries to be sent there in the future.

Two weeks were spent in and around Dallas. Literature, consisting of 500 copies H. and H., 500 copies Hazeltine's, "A Great Thinker," 1,000 copies Mayhew's "Spiritual World," and 300 copies Giles "The Bible," were distributed to the various centers requesting such.

It became evident that it would take nearly a year to visit all points. Northwest Texas contains New-Church people in many towns, but they are scattered and made few responses. I mapped out a circuit, therefore, which would reach the largest number in the shortest time and least delay and expense by travel. Starting with preaching in Dallas, I visited Terrell, Bagwell, Clarksville and Sherman, returning to Dallas, where one member was received into the Church, Mr. Christopher Ording. Result: Plans laid for centers in Dallas and Clarksville. The next trip covered Houston, Beaumont, Call Junction, Galveston, Bay City, Matagorda and Corpus Christi. Result: Plans for a center in Call Junction, with opportunities opened for work in each of the other places.

The third and largest center developed at San Antonio, where there are already twenty-five people ready to take hold. Here I spent much time visiting, getting acquainted with strangers, studying the conditions in nearby towns, making two trips to Pearsall, where we held five services. The San Antonio people have a Society and they have also incorporated the legal body of the Texas New-Church Society.

Everywhere people responded enthusiastically, strangers

expressed readiness to co-operate, and many showed evidence of willingness to be prepared for instruction preparatory to church membership. Results showed that we need regular work in each principal center, adaptation in choice of the ministers and methods to be employed. Covering the State in one year by one man is impossible and valueless. In my short stay over 2,000 miles were traversed by rail, with great loss of time. (Four thousand miles would scarcely cover every known point of residence.) Concentrated effort, with the right backing at the start by the Church, and the employment of the right missionaries, means certain success.

Property has already been left in trust to the Convention for building a church in El Paso, San Antonio and general work in the State. Complications necessitating personal investigation called me to El Paso to examine the property. I found there unexpectedly the Misses Tafel and Miss Mack teaching a select school for girls, through them, some attorneys and some old business acquaintances of my ranching days, we worked up interest among leading people and held service. I lectured also at the school. Every indication shows El Paso to be alive, cosmopolitan and ready for the New Church.

All along the way, on trains, in hotels, talking with everybody, farmers, laborers, citizens, United States army men and officers, lawyers, educators, etc., I distributed literature, opened doors for the missionaries whom the Board may next send out. Business alertness, adaptation and liberality to match the openness and hunger of the Texans are all that is necessary for success.

After having called on nearly every New-Church person within reach, called on many strangers, communicated with all New-Church people known to be in the State, and preached or lectured twenty-five times, I supervised the publication of a list of persons and addresses and a letter calling for federated action, which were sent to every New-Church person in the State. From this it is expected we shall gain a precise statement and plan by which the Board can determine the exact co-operation possible from the Texas people, how, when and where to continue the work, which, according to the purpose of the Board as a religious business investigator, I have endeavored to promote.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

**Lloyd A. Frost, Treasurer, in account with The Board of Home and Foreign Missions.**

## Sustaining Fund.

1910	Dr.		
May 1. To balance .....	\$3,231.42		
<b>1911</b>			
Apr. 30. To amounts received during the year, per reports in New Church Messenger:—			
166 Individuals .....	\$2,046.12		
20 Societies and Sunday Schools .....	712.64		
Trustees of Kirk Fund..	200.00		
Trustees of Chillicothe Fund .....	100.00		
Income Endowment Fund:—			
Interest Home Bank.. \$ 1.36			
Dividends, Edison Electric .....	60.00		
N. E. Tel. & Tel..... 30.00			
Boston and Maine ... 33.00			
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. 40.00			
Fitchburg Preferred . 50.00			
American Tel. & Tel... 80.00			
General Electric .... 40.00			
Boston & Albany .... 43.75			
Boston Elevated ..... 30.00			
Pennsylvania R. R.... 54.00			
Interest N. Y., N. H., & H. R. R., 6s..... 6.00			
Interest Pennsylvania R. R. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ s .....	26.25		
	<hr/> \$ 494.36		
Interest on Current Account:—			
International Trust Co. ....	66.67		
Treasurer General Convention:—			
Income Sundry Funds:—			
$\frac{1}{2}$ Wilkins .....	75.37		
$\frac{1}{2}$ Kendall .....	57.58		
Officer .....	40.00		
$\frac{1}{2}$ Barker .....	51.99		
Lowe .....	80.00		
Kimball .....	40.00		
Emerson .....	11.20		
1-3 Hayden (Home).. 40.00			
1-3 Hayden (Foreign) 40.00			
Wright .....	80.00		
Amounts carried forward .....	<hr/> \$516.14	<hr/> \$3,619.79	<hr/> \$3,231.42

**Amounts brought forward .....** \$516.14 \$3,619.79 \$3,231.42

Mary P. Ropes .....	953.75
Eliza O. Ropes .....	956.66
Eliza O. Ropes (Mission) .....	200.00
Siebert .....	20.00
Washington .....	207.11
Donaldson .....	68.54
	<u>2,922.20</u>

**Income Special Funds:—**

Du Pont (Louisville Society) .....	275.20
Savannah (Savannah Society) .....	
½ Interest Union Bank	11.74
	<u>286.94</u>
	\$ 6,828.98

**1911 April 30. Payments for the year as follows:— Cr. \$10,060.35**

Home Work:—	
Maryland Association, 1 mo. ....	\$ 75.00
Rev. J. B. Spiers, 11 mos. at \$125 .....	1,875.00
Rev. J. B. Spiers, ex- penses to N. Y. Con- vention, 1910 .....	20.00
Texas, Rev. C. W. Broom- ell .....	350.00
Expenses, Rev. C. W. Broomell .....	450.00
Ohio Association, 12 mos. at \$25 .....	300.00
Maine Association .....	200.00
Washington State Asso- ciation, Rev. Jacob Kimm .....	50.00
San Diego, Calif. Society, 12 mos. at \$35.....	420.00
Winslow, Ark. Society, Rev. W. H. Adkins ..	100.00
Denver, Colo. Society, Rev. H. C. Dunham, 12 mos. at \$33.33....	399.96
Rev. James E. Thomas, 12 mos. at \$15 .....	180.00
Rev. James E. Thomas, Trip to North Carolina	25.00
N. H. Claflin, 12 mos. at \$25 .....	300.00
N. H. Claflin, expenses..	110.00
Rev. F. L. Higgins, 10 mos. at \$25 .....	250.00
J. R. Stewart, 8 mos. at \$10 .....	80.00

**Amount carried forward .....** \$ 4,684.96

<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	\$	4,634.96
Rev. E. K. Bray, trip to Jacksonville, Fla. ....	25.10	
L. E. Calleja, expenses to Chicago Convention, 1911 ..... Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz, expenses to N. Y. Con- vention, 1910 .....	88.45	
T. Mower Martin, West- ern trip .....	200.00	
T. Mower Martin, ex- penses .....	265.00	
		<b>5,522.46</b>
<b>Foreign Work:</b> —		
Sweden, Rev. C. J. N. Manby .....	150.00	
Denmark, Rev. S. C. Bronniche .....	150.00	
Switzerland, Germany, Austro-Hungary, Italy, Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz, part of expenses to Swedenborg Congress, London .....	325.00	
Mexico, L. E. Calleja....	36.30	
	110.00	
		<b>771.30</b>
Louisville, Ky., Society, income, Du Pont Fund	275.20	
Savannah, Ga., Society, $\frac{1}{2}$ income, Savannah Fund .....	11.74	
<b>Salaries:</b> —		<b>286.94</b>
Lloyd A. Frost, Treas- urer .....	50.00	
Rev. Paul Sperry, Sec- retary .....	50.00	
Rev. Paul Sperry, for Clerical Services .....	150.00	
<b>Books and Tracts:</b> —		<b>250.00</b>
Rev. James M. Shepherd.	7.25	
L. E. Calleja .....	.61	
Georgetown, B. G. Mission	26.35	
San Diego, Calif. Society	6.79	
Rev. C. W. Broomell, Texas trip .....	86.19	
Mr. Janecek, Prague, Bo- hemia .....	4.23	
Sundry Persons .....	11.50	
<b>Expenses:</b> —	\$	<b>92.92</b>
Treasurer, postage, tele- grams, typewriting, etc.	43.43	
Secretary, postage, type- writing, etc. .....	22.00	
<i>Amounts carried forward .....</i>	\$65.43	<b>\$6,923.62</b>

<b>Amounts brought forward .....</b>	<b>\$65.43</b>	<b>\$ 6,923.62</b>
Treasurer, Surety Bond..	15.00	
Exchange on checks .....	1.52	
Post Office Orders .....	5.25	
Printing and mailing An- nual Appeal .....	45.10	
Advertising .....	42.50	
Typewriter, bought for Secretary .....	81.00	
Probate expenses, War- minster Fund .....	21.50	
Printing, express, sundry, etc. .....	34.07	
Traveling expenses, Ex- ecutive Committee .....	21.10	
		<b>382.47</b>
Accrued Interest \$1500 Pennsylvania R. R. Bonds, Bot. ....		<b>25.88</b>
		<b>\$ 7,281.47</b>
<b>April 30. Balance on hand .....</b>		<b>\$ 2,778.88</b>
		<b>\$ 10,060.35</b>

**FUNDS HELD BY THE BOARD.****Endowment Fund.**

<b>1910</b>		
May 1. Balance .....		<b>\$ 10,699.28</b>
<b>1911</b>		
Mar. 4. Crossville, Tenn. Fund, proceeds of sale of Church building, received from Samuel Cline .....		<b>250.00</b>
<b>1911</b>		
April 30. Present Amount of Fund.....		<b>\$ 10,949.28</b>

**Savannah Fund.**

<b>1910</b>		
May 1. Balance .....		<b>\$ 581.75</b>
<b>1911</b>		
April 30. $\frac{1}{2}$ Interest Union Bank.....		<b>11.74</b>

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<b>April 30.</b>	<b>Present Amount of Fund.....</b>	<b>\$ 593.49</b>
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**British Guiana Fund.**

<b>1910</b>		
May 1. Balance .....		<b>\$ 853.95</b>
<b>1911</b>		
April 30. Interest Warren Bank .....		<b>34.48</b>

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<b>April 30.</b>	<b>Present Amount of Fund.....</b>	<b>\$ 888.43</b>
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**Property of the Board.**

5 Shares Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Boston	\$ 1,075.63
5 Shares Boston & Albany R. R. Co.....	1,070.63
5 Shares Boston Elevated Ry.....	650.63
10 Shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co....	1,230.01
5 Shares New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.	538.13
7 Shares Boston & Maine R. R. ....	932.86
5 Shares N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.....	710.63
5 Shares General Electric Co.....	555.63
10 Shares Fitchburg R. R. Preferred.....	1,206.26
18 Shares Pennsylvania R. R. ....	1,217.25
\$100 N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., 6 per cent De- benture .....	100.00
\$1500 Pennsylvania R. R., 3½ per cent Convertible Bonds .....	1,440.00
Deposit in Home Savings Bank, Boston.....	221.62
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	\$ 10,949.28
Representing Endowment Fund ....	\$ 10,949.28
Deposit, Union Institution for Savings, Boston .....	593.49
Representing Savannah Fund .....	593.49
Deposit, Warren Institution for Savings, Boston .....	888.43
Representing British Guiana Fund .....	888.43
Deposit, New England Trust Co., Boston .....	2,778.88
Representing Sustaining Fund .....	2,778.88
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	\$ 15,210.08 \$ 15,210.08

**Lloyd A. Frost, Treasurer.****Examined. Securities and cash found on hand.****W. W. Towle, Auditor.**

**REPORT OF THE NEW-CHURCH BOARD OF PUBLICATION.**

The organization of the Board of Directors of the New Church Board of Publication for the year 1910-1911 is as follows:

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Office and Salesroom, 3 West Twenty-ninth Street, New York.

A comparison of the sales for the year ending April, 1910 ..... \$1,439.78  
 As compared with the year ending April, 1911.... 1,426.68  
 shows that the figures are practically the same. Last year we published "Symbol Stories" and "Lovers in Heaven" and this year "Sea Pictures" and the small book—"The Cheapening of Religion." The comparison shows a gratifying increase in the sales of collateral works.

The Board during the year printed:

5000 New Magnificats

500 Books of Worship Psalter Edition.

500 Doctrinal Series No. 4.

- 500 Roeder's "Sea Pictures."
- 1000 Fagan's "The Cheapening of Religion."
- 100 Rites and Sacraments.
- 100 Catechism (Rev. S. Worcester).  
and
- 5000 Magnificats, not completed.  
and have bound during the same period
- 100 The Hosanna.
- 100 The New Hosanna.
- 107 Warren's Compendium.
- 43 The Soul or Rational Psychology.
- 25 Rites and Sacraments.
- 26 Books of Worship.
- 195 Doctrinal Series No. 1 and 2.
- 245 Doctrinal Series No. 3.
- 100 Doctrinal Series No. 4.
- 57 Bible Series No. 1.
- 175 Bible Series No. 2.
- 90 Bible Series No. 4.

We are just issuing as the second in the series of booklets Mr. Smyth's Lecture on Swedenborg for which we anticipate a large sale. Mr. Goddard has also in preparation the third of this series: "What Constitutes Spiritual Living; Can it be Realized in the World Today?" Also, one is expected from Mr. Ager—"The Nature of Revealed Truth."

The problem of material for publication by the Board is one to which we have given much study and we would welcome suggestions in regard to appropriate works for production.

Our available annual income is now about \$2,800, and even though we have recently agreed to an advance in rent and service—from \$333.34 to \$1,200 a year—our net income is about \$1,600. The changes in expense for rent and service was considered by special committees from the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society and the Board of Publication and the large increase is due to the realization of the fact that the Board of Publication has never before borne its proportionate share of the expense of maintaining the rooms at 3 West 29th Street.

In our report last year we did not treat fully the subject of the new *Magnificat* but now that the work is completed it seems fitting that we as publishers for the Convention should lay before you some of the facts connected with the long delay and the unexpected expense of the undertaking. The estimate of the Convention *Magnificat* Commit-

tee, as you will recall, was approximately \$3,000.00 but the cost of the book has been more than twice that amount.

The Board has co-operated to the fullest extent with the Committee toward the production of a thoroughly creditable hymnal even to the extent of discarding a partly complete edition which in appearance and make-up was not considered satisfactory. This edition will however be put to good use later on, although the exact method of disposing of it has not yet been determined. While the expense is much to be regretted, we have the satisfaction of having produced a book far superior to anything the Church has ever had before. The indices of the book in number and variety are most complete and are a valuable feature of the present book and a great improvement over the old edition. The expense to the Board has been greatly lessened by contributions made through Rev. Wm. L. Worcester amounting at present to \$925.

The book is now being exchanged with various societies without charge in accordance with the understanding. In order to make the book as useful as possible the price is fixed at \$1.00 and in lots of ten or more 75 cents. Such of the old books as are in good condition have been placed at the disposal of the Missionary Board.

We have under consideration the question of arranging for an independent publication of the *Magnificat* under another imprint but our negotiations to that end with several music-book publishers have not resulted favorably as yet. We hope to be able to make some such arrangement, however, and if we can do so we should realize a handsome income therefrom.

On recommendation of the Finance Committee it has been voted to close the so-called "\$50,000 Fund." The amount realized on this fund as shown by the Treasurer's report last year was \$43,953.93, all of which had been expended. The account however had been kept open on the books by reason of certain anticipated subscriptions thereto.

For the Board,

EDWARD P. CALL, *President.*

ADOLPH ROEDER, *Secretary.*

NOTE:—Since this report was written we are pleased to say that an additional subscription to the *Magnificat* Fund of \$800.00 has been received through Mr. Worcester.

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

General Receipts and Expenditures, From April 1, 1910 to  
April 1, 1911.

## Dr.

•Cash on hand, April 1, 1910:—	
Principal Merchandise Department ..\$ 1,600.00	
Income Merchandise Department ... 524.46	<u>                </u>
	\$ 2,124.46
Income from Messenger Fund Investments .....	1,100.20
Income from McDonald Fund Investments .....	872.50
Income from White Fund Investments..	142.50
Income from Bennett Fund Investments	224.50
Income from General Fund Investments	143.00
Income from Income Fund Investments	74.80
Income from Richards Fund Investments	30.00
Income from Subscriptions to revise "Magnificat" .....	925.00
Income from Ropes legacies less amount of \$2512.68 paid by J. R. Carter, Treasurer, on "Magnificat" account..	3,298.15
Income from Bank Interest.....	49.43
	<u>                </u>
Cr.	\$ 8,484.54
•New Church Messenger, Income Mes- senger Fund .....	1,100.20
•New Church Board of Publication, Merchandise Dept. Income Fund....\$ 1,360.30	
Income from Investments .....	1,537.49
	<u>                </u>
2,897.79	
•Cash in hand	
Due Merchandise Department .....	4,246.85
Principal awaiting investment .....	239.70
	<u>                </u>
4,486.55	
	<u>                </u>
\$8,484.54	
<b>New Church Messenger Fund</b>	
Income received during year.....	1,100.20
Paid New Church Messenger.....	1,100.20
•The Principal of Fund, \$18,489.70 is in- vested as follows:	<u>                </u>
Adolph M. Fischl, et al., Mortgage, New York City, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., due April 2, 1913 .....	13,000.00
Thomas P. Ryan, et al., Mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent., due March 15, 1913 .....	5,000.00
Caroline L. Burnap, et. al., Mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent., due June 30, 1912 .....	200.00
•Cash on hand awaiting investment.....	239.70
	<u>                </u>
	\$18,489.70

**Mrs. Lydia Helena Haworth-McDonald Fund**

Income received during year .....	372.50
Paid Merchandise .....	<u>372.50</u>
Principal of Fund, \$7,300.00, is invested as follows:	
Caroline L. Burnap, et. al., Mortgage New York City, 5 per cent., due June 30, 1912 .....	<u>7,300.00</u>

**The Captain White Fund**

Income received during year .....	142.50
Paid Merchandise .....	<u>142.50</u>
Principal of Fund, \$1,900.00 is invested as follows:	
Sarah Sibbald, Mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent., due on demand.....	<u>1,900.00</u>

**Sarah Bennett Fund**

Income received during year.....	224.50
Paid Merchandise Department .....	<u>224.50</u>
Principal of Fund, \$5,000.00 is invested as follows:	
Alexander D. Duff, Mortgage, New York City, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., due July 14, 1911	<u>5,000.00</u>

**General Fund**

Income received during year .....	143.00
Paid Merchandise Department .....	<u>143.00</u>
Invested in Sarah Sibbald, mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent., due on demand .....	
Caroline L. Burnap, et. al., Mortgage, New York City, 5 per cent., due June 30, 1912 .....	100.00
	<u>2,500.00</u>
	<u>\$ 2,600.00</u>

**Funds and Investments**

Messenger Fund .....	\$18,439.70
Mrs. Lydia H. H. McDonald Fund.....	7,300.00
Captain White Fund .....	1,900.00
Sarah Bennett Fund .....	5,000.00
General Fund .....	2,600.00
Caroline L. Burnap, et. al., Mortgage..	\$10,000.00
Alex. D. Duff, Mortgage .....	5,000.00
Adolph M. Fischl, et. al., Mortgage....	13,000.00
Sarah Sibbald, Mortgage .....	2,000.00
Thomas P. Ryan, et. al., Mortgage....	5,000.00
Cash awaiting investment .....	<u>239.70</u>
	<u>\$35,239.70</u>
	<u>\$35,239.70</u>

**MANAGER'S STATEMENT**

**General Receipts and Expenditures, from April 1st., 1910 to April 1st., 1911.**

Dr.	Cr
Cash on hand April 1st., 1910.....	\$ 1,959.15
From Treasurer being return of balance due Merchandise Department on April 1st., 1910....	524.46
From Treasurer being balance due Merchandise Department temporarily invested in Income Fund	1,360.30
From Treasurer from Investments .....	1,013.03
Net Amount in cash realized from merchandise sales	1,818.56
Astor Trust Co., Interest on balance.....	40.01
	<u><u>6,215.51</u></u>
The American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, for Services Rendered by them from April 1st., 1910 to April 1st., 1911.....	333.33
Net amount paid in cash for Merchandise purchases .....	1,961.85
Paid on account of new Magnificat....	1,400.00
Paid expenses account Treasurer for Indemnity Bond in the matter of the Ritchie Will .....	10.00
Clark S. Reed, costs in matter of Ritchie Will .....	75.00
Walter B. Safford in matter of Burnap Mortgage .....	15.00
Cash Expenses .....	100.00
Cash on hand and in Bank April 1st., 1911 .....	753.46
	<u><u>1,666.87</u></u>
	<u><u>6,215.51</u></u>

**MERCHANDISE STATEMENT**

Dr.	
To Merchandise as per Inventory, April 1st., 1910 .....	2,896.37
Books and Merchandise Purchased April 1st., 1910 to April 1st., 1911.....	1,961.85
The American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society for services rendered by them from April 1st., 1910 to April 1st., 1911 .....	333.33
Expenses:—	
Insurance Premiums .....	65.97
Postage Stamps .....	105.65
Publication of Report for 1910.....	5.00
Advertising .....	390.55
Express, Freight and Cartage .....	38.75
Telephone, Rent and Tolls .....	26.13
Expenses of Secretary and Executive Committee .....	63.85
Supplies and Sundries .....	57.56
	<u><u>753.46</u></u>
Amount carried forward .....	<u><u>5,945.01</u></u>

<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	\$ 5,945.01
Expenses paid on account of Treasurer	100.00
Expenses paid account New Magnificat	38.70
Surplus for the year .....	987.52

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7,071.23

Cr.	
By Income from Investments .....	2,897.79
Merchandise Sales from April 1st., 1910 to April 1st., 1911 .....	1,818.56
Merchandise on hand as per Inventory April 1st., 1911 .....	2,854.88

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7,071.23

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Cash on hand April 1st., 1911.....	1,666.87
Merchandise as per Inventory .....	2,854.88
Stereotyped and Engraved Plates at cost	4,046.49
Paid on account of New Magnificat Plates .....	1,404.09
Accounts Receivable .....	203.46
Account of Dr. C. E. Prentiss.....	647.96

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10,823.75

Cr.	
Accounts Payable .....	140.90
Net Assets Ledger Balance .....	\$10,682.85

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\$10,823.75

New York, May 8th., 1911.

We have examined the Cash account of the Manager as set forth in the books, and have seen the vouchers for all expenditures. We have seen the Pass Book of the Astor Trust Co., showing the Balance called for to be on hand including petty cash.

EDWARD SHERER,  
O. J. MILLS,

*Auditing Committee.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NEW-CHURCH  
BUILDING FUND.**

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America:—*

The Trustees in their report submitted to the Convention in 1910 stated that they had agreed to lend the Paterson, N. J., New-Church Society the sum of about two thousand dollars, but the papers had not been completed. Since then a mortgage for Two thousand two hundred dollars has been made by that Society and the money paid to them.

The following is the statement rendered by the Treasurer:

Balance in Bank April 2, 1910.....	\$2,074.01
Payment by the San Diego Society, \$100 on account of principal; \$60 account interest	160.00
Six months' interest from Paterson Society..	44.00
Interest on deposit up to Jan. 1, 1911.....	21.98
Second payment by San Diego Society, \$100 on account principal, \$56 account interest .....	156.00
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	\$2,455.94
Money advanced Paterson, N. J., Society on mortgage .....	2,200.00
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Leaving a balance now in bank of.....	255.94
Present investments consist of the following mortgages:	
San Diego Society (balance of mortgage) .....	\$1,800.00
Preston Society .....	1,200.00
Fishing Creek Society .....	175.00
Portland Society .....	1,000.00
Paterson Society .....	2,200.00
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Total amount of assets.....	\$6,130.94

The terms of Messrs. William McGeorge, Jr., and Gideon Boericke, two of the Trustees, expire this year; the Convention is asked to fill the vacancies by electing two Trustees to serve for three years.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. MCGEORGE, JR.,  
*Chairman.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE OF THE RICE LEGACY.****BENJ. PETTEE, Trustee.***In Account with the Rice Legacy.*

1910.	Dr.	
April 1.	Cash on hand .....	\$763.76
1910-11.	Dividends on Pullman Palace Car Co. Stock	144.00
	Dividends on Waltham Watch Co., Pref.	
	Stock .....	96.00
	Dividends on Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe R. R. Stock.....	110.00
	Dividends on Am. Tel. & Tel. Co. Stock....	100.00
	Dividends on Penn. R. R. Stock.....	39.00
	Interest on Southern Pacific Com. Bonds..	160.00
	Interest on Conveyancers Title Ins. Co.	
	Bond .....	45.00
	Interest on Deposits.....	18.85
		<u>\$1,476.61</u>
	Cr.	
1910-11.	Paid for books for N. C. Theological School	
	Library .....	\$187.16
	Paid for binding books for Theological	
	School Library .....	217.40
	Paid toward cost of Theological School Li-	
	brary .....	128.40
	Paid for services of Librarian.....	103.96
	Paid for N. C. Reviews placed in Libraries.	100.00
	Paid for N. C. Reviews sent sundry persons	46.75
	Paid for N. C. Reviews sent the Putnams..	6.00
	Paid for N. C. Messengers sent the Put-	
	nams .....	9.00
	Paid for books for Rev. Clarence Lathbury	25.50
	Paid for books sent N. C. Society at San	
	Diego .....	24.00
	Paid City of Boston taxes.....	49.20
	Paid rent of box in safety deposit vault....	10.00
	Balance in bank.....	569.24
		<u>\$1,476.61</u>

**Property of Rice Legacy.**

22 shares Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R. R. Stock.
16 shares pref. and 23 shares Common Stock Waltham Watch Co.
18 shares Pullman Palace Car Co. Stock.
13 shares Penn. R. Rd. Co. Stock.
10 shares Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co. Stock.
6 shares Rutland R. Rd. Co. Stock.
\$4,000 bonds of Southern Pacific R. Rd.
\$1,000 bonds of Conveyancers Title Ins. Co.

**H. & O. H., May 1, 1911.****BENJ. PETTEE, Trustee.****Examined and found correct.**

JAMES REED,  
H. CLINTON HAY,  
*Advisory Committee.*

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL CHURCH AT WASHINGTON, D. C.**

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America:—*

The Trustees in making their report for the year 1910-1911 report, as is their usual custom, the missionary work that is done at the National Capital, which is probably the work in which the Church generally is most interested. The following lectures have been delivered there on the dates and by the persons and on the subjects hereinafter set forth:

**1910.**

December 4—Rev. Frank Sewall, D.D., of Washington, D. C., “Swedenborg; the Solitary Seer; the Man of Two Worlds; Neither ‘Medium,’ ‘Psychic,’ nor ‘Mystic.’ The ‘Man whose eyes were opened.’”

December 11—Rev. Frank Sewall: “His Personality; with Biographical Sketch; the Silent Majesty of his Call and Mission; the Press as the New-Age Missionary.”

December 18—Rev. Frank Sewall: “Modern Philosophy; his Contribution to.” (Address before the “Philosophy” section of the London Congress.)

December 25—Christmas. No lecture.

January 1—Rev. Frank Sewall: “His Effect on the Religious World of To-day. The Borrowed Rays of his Vision Illuminating all the Churches; the Dawn of a New Religious Age.”

January 8—Rev. Julian K. Smyth, of New York, N. Y.: “On the Nature of Swedenborg’s Illumination.”

January 15—Rev. George Henry Dole, of Wilmington, Del.: “The Birth of the World and how it is Sustained.”

January 22—Rev. George Henry Dole: “The Dawn of Man, and his Destiny.”

January 29—Special Missions Lecture: Rev. Junius B. Spiers, Richmond, Va.: “The Churchman vs. the Isolated Reader.”

February 5—Rev. Frank Sewall, D.D.: “The King Gustav of Sweden at the Unveiling of Swedenborg’s Monument in Upsala Cathedral, November 19, 1910—Its Significance.”

February 12—Rev. George Laurence Allbutt, of Baltimore, Md., “Degrees of Life in Nature.”

February 19—Rev. Mr. Allbutt: "Degrees of Life in Man."

February 26—Rev. Mr. Allbutt: "Corresponding Degrees in the Letter, Spirit and Life of the Word as a Divine Revelation."

March 5—Rev. Dr. Sewall: "Life on Other Planets, according to Swedenborg."

March 12—Rev. Harold S. Conant, of Baltimore, Md.: "The Correspondence between Spirit and (I) the Mineral Kingdom; the Three Atmospheres, etc."

March 19—Rev. Mr. Conant: (II) "The Vegetable Kingdom; Illustrated by the Trees of the Bible."

March 26—Rev. Mr. Conant: (III) "The Animal Kingdom; Illustrated by Birds and other Animals of the Bible."

April 2 and 9—Rev. Frank Sewall on "God's Secret Indwelling and Man's Conscious Life; the possibility of Human Freedom and Responsibility."

April 16—Easter Night and closing lecture by the Pastor.

Rev. Mr. Smyth, in addition to delivering his lecture, "On the Nature of Swedenborg's Illumination," in the National Church, which was the same lecture that he delivered at the International Swedenborg Congress in London on July 8th, 1910, delivered it in all of the principal cities and Societies of the Church east of the Mississippi River. Wherever this lecture was delivered it was not only heard by a great many of those not connected with the Church, but it was inspiring and helpful to all the members of the Church itself.

In last year's report a very full history was given of the circumstances leading up to the building of the National Church at Washington, and it was there pointed out, as it has frequently been before, that by reason of the great cost of the main building, which was erected in accordance with plans approved by the Convention, it had never been possible to complete the Sunday School and other buildings, and the Society all these years had not only been deprived of the use of those buildings, but by reason of the fact that they owned a lot which was not improved for church purposes was compelled to pay taxes on that part of the property, which was a constant burden. It was hoped then that the Convention would see its way clear to take some action looking to the completion of those necessary buildings, and it was pointed out that the Washington Society was not sitting down supinely and doing nothing, but was constantly raising

money and doing the best it could to provide for this need. At the annual meeting of the Washington Society, held on the 20th day of April, 1911, the following preambles and resolutions were adopted:

*"Whereas, the General Convention of the New Jerusalem of the United States of America, at its meeting here in 1899, appointed a committee of fifteen to take charge of the building of a house of worship in this city, and authorized such committee to raise funds for the object, to act as trustees of the property in the name of the Convention, and to fill vacancies in their number in conference with and with the approval of the President and Secretaries of the Convention;*

*And, Whereas, This Society contributed to said Committee all of its own building funds, in the full expectancy of having the use of a house of worship, with Sunday School and other working rooms complete;*

*And, Whereas, The Convention approved of plans embracing all the said rooms, but the said Committee, for want of the necessary funds to build the whole structure on the plans so approved, constructed the main portion of the edifice, and the same was dedicated in 1896, and fifteen years have since passed without this Society having the use of any such Sunday School and working rooms;*

*And, Whereas, This Society has now accumulated a fund, which, added to the fund held by said committee, available for completion of said house of worship, will reach approximately to seven thousand dollars:*

*Therefore Be It Resolved, That in the judgment of this Society the time has come when the Convention should be requested and urged to require said committee to complete the said undertaking by erecting at once the Sunday School and other rooms, according to the original plans, or such modified plans as the said Convention may decide to be sufficient and satisfactory."*

From what was reported last year it will be seen that the Washington Society has been without these necessary buildings ever since the year 1889, when the old church was burned down, and that now for nearly sixteen years, they have occupied the church but have been hindered in all of their operations by the lack of the other buildings. It is hoped that next year the Convention may meet at Washington, and they have been so invited by the Wash-

ington Society, but these buildings certainly ought to be completed before that meeting is held. It will be seen from the foregoing preambles and resolutions that the Society has in hand a considerable fund, and it is hoped another year will not pass by without the Convention taking steps to carry out the original plan and complete the buildings.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. MCGEORGE, JR., *President.*

JOB BARNARD, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PENSION FUND.

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America:—*

Last year the Trustees felt constrained not only to specify a number of additions to the list of pensioners, but to call attention to the fact that quite a large number of Societies, including some of the larger ones, had made no contribution to the important uses of this Fund. As a matter of fact, last year only 16 Societies sent in any contribution at all, and altogether they sent \$345.18, and of this the Philadelphia Society sent \$169.32, or nearly one-half of the whole amount.

This year the needs of the Fund were pointed out in circular letters sent to all the Societies, with the result that 24 different Societies have contributed this year a sum total of \$592.13. One of these Societies, and one of the smaller ones, has sent in four different contributions this year, and yet, although it had in its three previous contributions contributed \$80 to this Fund, when the special appeal went out and it was known that there was need of money, that Society generously sent \$75 more, so that this small Society has contributed altogether \$155, quite a generous fraction of the whole amount contributed.

It has been felt as if that particular Society and some of the other smaller Societies were imposing upon themselves almost too heavy a burden, and this the Trustees are very anxious should not be the case. While they would be very glad if all the Societies would recognize that it was a duty as well as a privilege to provide regularly for those old ministers who have worn themselves out in the service, or for their widows and minor children, and while they had hoped that it might become a general practice, when the other needs of the various Societies would permit, to make this contribution at or about the time of our National Thanksgiving as a sort of a thank offering, yet it was sincerely hoped that the discharge of this sacred duty should never become a burden and be felt as a privation, and if all the Societies would contribute according to their several abilities, the use would be performed better than it is now, and no one would feel any sense of burden. Many hands would make light work.

If it had not been for the generous bequest of Miss

Ropes the Trustees would have been entirely unable to have taken care of those who are more or less dependent upon them. The entire income of the invested fund, which, fortunately, is drawing 6 per cent interest, only amounts to \$1,020, whereas, present pensions amount to \$1,381.80, and experience has taught that sudden and unexpected calls may be made upon the Trustees at almost any time, and they would be glad, and they are sure that the Church would rejoice if they were always able to respond promptly and efficiently to any such call.

What the Trustees especially desire is that the contributions each year should not only supplement the income, so as to make up the amount necessary to pay the beneficiaries, but that each year there should be a little surplus added to the principal, so that eventually the income of the invested fund would be sufficient to meet all demands upon it.

The Trustees have always felt perfectly sure that if the various Societies not only realized the great importance of this matter, but their duty in the premises, they would all take pleasure in doing their part, and they believe that it is only because the Church has not been accustomed to it, and perhaps the matter has never been considered, that some Societies do not co-operate, and for that reason these facts are stated in the reports, so as to draw the attention of all to the matter.

They are further encouraged to make their reports full and explicit, because they have observed that their reports have not fallen upon unheeding ears, but that their recommendations have been cheerfully adopted, as is shown by the fact that the various Societies and individuals have this year contributed more than the Trustees suggested in their last annual report. But while the Trustees make their report full in this respect, they have decided to omit the names of the beneficiaries and the amounts paid to each in the report, and simply state the sum total paid out, and this they feel justified in doing because the auditors will be able to verify the payments, and no use will be subserved by advertising the names of those assisted. They would omit the names of the contributors also but for the fact that it is impossible to vouch that side of the account, and the only way properly to account to the Church is by publishing all the subscriptions, so that those who have aided can see that their contributions appear in the grand total.

The statement of the treasurer follows, the payments

on account of pensions only being shown up to May 1st. At that time there was an overdraft of expenditures over income of \$452.11, arising from the fact that all of the receipts have been credited to the Principal of the Fund.

*Receipts.*

1910.		
May 1.	Balance .....	\$17,427.47
" 17.	Eliza R. Wallenberg .....	1.00
" 23.	Lillian Boyd .....	4.00
June 16.	Jefferson, Wis. ....	30.00
" 24.	Mrs. Edward Wilder.....	50.00
July 20.	San Francisco Society (O'Farrell Street).....	10.00
" 21.	N. C. Society, Jefferson, Wis. ....	15.00
Nov. 21.	Mary W. Early.....	1.00
" 26.	Robert Conner .....	6.00
" 26.	Jefferson, Wis., Society.....	35.00
" 26.	Indianapolis Society .....	7.40
" 29.	Englewood Church, Chicago.....	11.86
" 29.	Cambridge, Mass., Society.....	11.00
" 29.	St. Paul Society.....	19.87
" 29.	First German Society, Manchester.....	11.61
Dec. 2.	Church of Holy City, East Cleveland.....	9.65
" 2.	Baltimore North West Mission.....	5.00
" 2.	Toledo N. C. Society.....	2.50
" 7.	Pretty Prairie Society.....	6.00
" 7.	Kansas Association .....	4.75
" 10.	Mrs. E. Silkman.....)	
	Mr. J. Winchester.....)	2.00
	Mr. J. F. Bray.....)	
" 23.	Dr. William B. Hamilton.....	2.00
" 23.	Pittsburg Society .....	22.15
" 23.	Lancaster, Mass., Society.....	12.00
" 23.	Frankford Society, Philadelphia.....	28.60
1911.		
Jan. 2.	Lieut. David M. C. McKell.....	25.00
" 3.	Kenwood Parish .....	25.05
" 20.	Jefferson, Wis. ....	75.00
" 24.	John H. Snively.....	5.00
" 24.	John Calbeck .....	1.00
" 30.	"A Neighbor" .....	3.00
Feb. 10.	Mrs. Olive B. Taylor.....	5.00
" 10.	Miss Mary C. Puffer.....	.50
" 16.	Lucy A. Buckingham.....	5.00
" 16.	Boston Society .....	80.00
" 16.	C. A. Lundgren.....	1.00
" 16.	Ithaca, N. Y. ....	.50
" 16.	Washington Society .....	36.75
" 16.	Galveston N. C. Society.....	10.00
" 16.	Brockton Society .....	14.56
" 27.	"A Friend," El. Orleans.....	2.00
" 27.	David Lehnen .....	5.00
Mar. 6.	M. L. McKee.....	2.00
" 25.	First Society of Cincinnati.....	29.40
" 25.	Brooklyn Society of N. C. ....	6.45
<i>Amount carried forward .....</i>		<i>\$18,068.07</i>

<i>Amount brought forward</i> ...	\$18,068.07
" 31. Newtonville Society .....	45.00
April 10. Baltimore Society .....	13.53
" 22. Thomas Baxindine .....	5.00
May 1. San Francisco Society (O'Farrell Street).....	<u>14.00</u>
	\$18,145.60

*Investments.*

J. A. Scroggins Mortgage .....	\$ 5,000.00
John E. Roller Mortgage .....	12,000.00—\$17,000.00
Uninvested balance, May 1, 1911.....	<u>\$1,145.60</u>

*Income.*

Interest on J. S. Scroggins Mortgage .....	\$ 300.00
Interest on John E. Roller Mortgage .....	720.00
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	\$1,020.00

*Expenditures.*

Overdraft on this account at beginning of year .....	\$ 111.29
Amount paid to beneficiaries during the year .....	1,356.50
Nov. 26. Mimeo graphing and mailing 116 let- ters .....	2.00
" 26. Postage on above letters.....	<u>2.32—\$1,472.11</u>
Overdraft May, 1st, 1911.....	\$ 452.11

The terms of Hon. Job Barnard and Dr. Joseph Pettee Cobb, two of the Trustees, expire at this time, and the Convention is asked to fill the vacancies by electing two Trustees to serve for five years.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. MCGEORGE, JR., *President.*

WILLIAM L. WORCESTER, *Secretary.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ORPHAN FUND.**

At the Convention held in New York, in 1910, a meeting of the Trustees of the Orphan Fund was held, at which Messrs. Reed, Smyth, Saul, McGeorge and Barnard were present.

Mr. William McGeorge, Jr., and Rev. Julian K. Symth, were elected members of the executive committee, and Rev. James Reed, Chairman, and Job Barnard, Secretary, were re-elected.

Appeals of Rev. J. B. Spiers, of Richmond, for assistance to orphan children under his charge were referred to the executive committee, with power to act, and appropriations have been made accordingly.

The Treasurer's report will show what moneys have been received and disbursed during the year.

The terms of Rev. J. S. Saul, and Mr. George S. Merrill, as members of this Board, expire this year, and their successors should be elected by the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

**JAMES REED, Chairman.**

**JOB BARNARD, Secretary.**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SWEDENBORG  
MEMORIAL FUND.**

The present status of the Fund is shown in the following statement:

1910.	Balance .....	\$7,814.30
May 1.	Subscription from Augustus Berry.....	15.00
	Subscription from Miss Maria Andrews	10.00
	Northern Texas Traction Co. coupons..	100.00
	United Electric Securities coupons....	50.00
	Penn. & Mahoning Valley Ry. coupons.	150.00
	Interest on uninvested balance May 1, 1910, \$1,698.05 .....	67.92—\$8,207.22
	Investments .....	\$6,116.25
	Uninvested balance	<u>2,090.97</u>
		<u>\$8,207.22</u>

In pursuance of the resolutions of Convention, an "Appeal for the Erection of a Swedenborg Memorial Church in Stockholm, Sweden," was, with the approval of the sub-committee or "Trustees of the Memorial Fund," published in the Messenger and sent out by circular to a select circle of addresses in this country and also to the Secretary of the English Conference asking for their co-operation. As all replies and subscriptions and donations were directed to be sent to the Treasurer of the Fund who is the Treasurer of the Convention; he will be able to report what response the appeal has met with, thus far. The further urging of this appeal at the present time was, however, suspended early in the summer on our learning by interview in London with Commodore Lundstrom, the President of the Stockholm New-Church Society, that for at least a year it would be impossible to take any steps looking to building or acquiring the additional land required, owing to certain municipal procedures in connection with adjoining property. This fact was published in the Messenger and it is probable that the whole matter is regarded as temporarily suspended. The conditions are all favorable to the resumption of the work with new interest and hope as soon as these temporary impediments are removed and the recent distinguished honors paid to Swedenborg's memory by the Swedish nation and King and by its most distinguished scholars, would seem to emphasize the call for an equally marked expression from the New Church at large and their appreciation of the religious message he was commissioned to bear.

Respectfully yours,

FRANK SEWALL, *Chairman.*

**REPORT OF THE ROTCH TRUSTEES.**

1910-1911.

<b>1910</b>	<b>May 1.</b>	<b>Cash on hand .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,522.15</b>
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*Receipts.*

Sale of books, royalties, etc....	\$ 397.98
Interest Johnson-Feneno	
Mortgage .....	200.00
Interest Higgins & Scarr	
Mortgage .....	200.00
Interest Moses Clark, Jr.,	
Mortgage .....	100.00
Interest Daly & Wanzer Co.,	
Mortgage .....	100.00
Interest William B. Libby,	
Mortgage .....	36.65
Account principal W. B. Libby,	
Mortgage .....	127.60
Interest on bank balances....	29.60
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Total .....	<b>\$2,713.98</b>

*Payments.*

Publishing books, pamphlets, etc	\$ 851.00
Paid storage .....	16.45
Paid Advertising .....	40.00
Paid Insurance .....	78.72
Probate Court expenses .....	25.00
Miscellaneous .....	5.40
Trustees commission .....	82.83
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	<b>\$1,099.40</b>

**1911**

<b>May 1.</b>	<b>Cash on hand .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,614.58</b>
	<b>Total .....</b>	<b><u>\$2,713.98</u></b>

*Property on Hand.*

Cash .....	\$1,614.58
Mortgage, Johnson-Feneno .....	4,000.00
Mortgage, Higgins & Scarr .....	4,000.00
Mortgage, Moses Clark, Jr....	2,000.00
Mortgage, Daly & Wanzer Co... .	2,000.00
Mortgage, William B. Libby... .	733.65
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	<b>\$14,348.23</b>

Book plates and books on hand, cost .....	<b>54,740.35</b>
Total .....	<b><u>\$69,088.58</u></b>

The Trustees have to report during the year the death of Warren Goddard, who has been a member of the Board since 1899. He was of course very well known and there

is no necessity of mentioning his sterling qualities which have been so useful to the Trustees and to the Church at large. Mr. George C. Warren, a member of the Brookline Society, has been duly appointed by the Probate Court and is now a member of the Board of Trustees.

The compilation of the Book for the Blind has been completed by the Rev. Paul Sperry and it is now being printed at the Perkins Institute for the Blind in South Boston. It is expected to have an edition of 500 copies in two volumes. This is printed for free distribution among the blind and it is hoped that anyone who knows of blind people who would be benefited by the work will feel free to apply for it, at the cost of carriage only.

The Trustees have during the year issued a new book by Benjamin Worcester entitled, "Swedenborg, the Harbiner of the New Age." It was published by J. B. Lippincott Co., and there seems to be a very good demand for it. It can be found at all of the Church Book Rooms and is for sale at the price of \$1.25 net.

We have also published during the year a Commentary on the Psalms compiled by Messrs. Fischer and Hoeck. This is in line with the former Commentaries on Matthew and John by the same compilers. It is a very interesting book and is almost a necessity to those who desire to find out what Swedenborg has to say upon the Psalms.

There is a continued demand for the pamphlet entitled "A Great Thinker," which consists practically of the article published by M. W. Heseltine in the New York Sun about two years ago. The second edition published last year has been exhausted and another edition will probably be published in the coming year. The effect of the distribution of this pamphlet is increasing the requests for gift books published by the Jungerich and other funds is very marked.

The Trustees voted to pay \$50 a year for the next five years for the use of the London Committee which has in charge the phototyping of the manuscripts of Swedenborg. It is estimated that in eight years all the manuscripts of Swedenborg relating to religious subjects will have been phototyped. His scientific works are already being treated the same way by Scientific Societies in Sweden.

HORACE PARKER CHANDLER,  
JAMES EVERETT YOUNG,  
GEORGE C. WARREN,

*Trustees.*

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION.**

The Committee on Transportation begs to report that it has been advised by the Commissioner of the Central Passenger Association, within whose limits the city of Chicago is located, that no fare concessions will be accorded by that Association for conventions and like meetings, unless there is an assurance that there will be an attendance of not less than one thousand at such meetings. As this, of course, rules out our Convention it will not be possible to secure reduced rates for the meetings to be held in Chicago in June of this year.

Respectfully submitted,

EZRA HYDE ALDEN,

PAUL C. HAMLIN,

*Committee on Transportation.*

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**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INTERNATIONAL SWEDENBORG CONGRESS.**

The Committee has to report that at the International Swedenborg Congress, held in King's Hall, London, July 4-8, 1910, there were in attendance the following members of the Committee and representatives of various organizations connected with the Convention: The Rev. S. S. Seward, President of the Convention; the Hon. Job Barnard, Vice President of the Convention; the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the General Convention; the Rev. James Reed, President of the Board of Managers of the Convention Theological School; the Rev. Louis F. Hite, Professor of Philosophy in the Theological School and Secretary of the New-Church Evidence Society; the Hon. Francis J. Worcester and Mr. Henry W. Guernsey, of the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society; Mr. William McGeorge, Jr., Chairman of the Jungerich Trustees; the Rev. Julian K. Smyth, of New York; the Rev. L. G. Landenberger, of St. Louis; the Rev. Professor Jacob E. Werren, of the Theological School; also the Rev. Eugene J. E. Schreck, and the Rev. John W. Stockwell, of Chicago, and Miss S. A. Worcester, of Cambridge, Mass., and the undersigned, the Rev. Frank Sewall, D.D., Chairman of the Committee.

The Congress was attended by some four hundred of

ficials and members and over nine hundred visitors, making a total of over thirteen hundred persons who were present, coming from America, Great Britain, France, Germany, Holland, Switzerland, Spain and Sweden. The Congress was held under the honorary patronage of His Majesty, the King of Sweden, who was personally represented by the Swedish Ambassador, Count Wrangel. It was presided over by Edward John Broadfield, Esq., B.A., LL.D., of Manchester.

The parts taken in the proceedings by the representatives of the American Convention were as follows:

The Rev. Samuel S. Seward presided over the second day's session of the Section of Theology, delivering the opening address. He also delivered the sermon at the Thanksgiving Service at Argyle Square Church on the Sunday succeeding the Congress.

The Rev. James Reed delivered an address in the Theological section on Swedenborg's Teaching on the Divinity and Humanity of Jesus Christ.

The Rev. Julian K. Smyth delivered an address in the same section on "The Nature of Swedenborg's Illumination."

The Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, in the same section, delivered an address on "The Doctrine of Uses"; and the Hon. Job Barnard an address on "Divine Providence and Human Freedom."

The Rev. Frank Sewall presided over the second day's sessions devoted to Philosophy, delivering the opening address on "Swedenborg's Contribution to Philosophy."

The Rev. Professor Hite delivered an address in the same section on "Ultimate Reality."

Dr. Sewall also presided over the sub-section B. in Science in the afternoon of the first day.

The social entertainments were planned on a large and liberal scale and included a reception at King's Hall on the evening of July 4th; a garden party at Bishopswood, the residence of Mr. David Wynter, President of the Swedenborg Society, in the afternoon of Wednesday; a Conversazione with addresses, music and dancing in the King's Hall on the evening of the closing day; also a farewell banquet to the guests from abroad on the evening of Tuesday, July 12.

Appended are the reports of Special Committees for the Conferences on "Publications"; on "Missions," and on "Education."

FRANK SEWALL, *Chairman.*

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE REPRESENTING THE CONVENTION'S BOARD OF MISSIONS AT THE CONFERENCE ON MISSIONS HELD IN LONDON, JULY 9, 1910.**

The Rev. Messrs. Sewall and Landenberger attended, by invitation, the Conference of New-Church Missions, held in the Swedenborg Society Rooms on Saturday following the Congress.

The Rev. L. G. Landenberger read a paper descriptive of the field of home missions in America and the methods of carrying on the mission work under the auspices of the Associations and of the Convention, and by the various literary and publication agencies. The Rev. Frank Sewall described the interest taken by the Convention in the extension of the New Church on the Continent of Europe, in the far East and in Mexico and South America, and the degree of support given to the mission efforts in these countries.

The Conference resulted in the general understanding that the Convention and the English Conference would continue in their joint support of the missions in Scandinavia, Germany and Italy; that the Swedenborg Society would interest itself in furnishing the writings in Japanese; and American Swedenborg Society, the publications in Spanish and Portuguese. Interest was also expressed in the proposed erection of a Memorial Church in Stockholm, the Rev. Pastor Manby and Mr. Stroh advocating the movement warmly, although owing to some municipal requirements, the beginning of this structure must be deferred for a time.

(Signed)

FRANK SEWALL,  
LOUIS G. LANDENBERGER,

*Representing the American Board of Missions.*

**REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION.**

At the Conference on Education, held in the New Church College in London on July 11th, there were present: Rev. Hite and the Rev. John Goddard and the Rev. Frank Sewall, of the Board of Managers of the Theological School, and the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, of the Standing Committee of the American New-Church Sunday

School Association. The subjects discussed were the courses of study in the New-Church College and in the Convention's Theological School; importance of New-Church education in youth to protect the mind from the prevalent erroneous teachings; and the practicability and use of maintaining New-Church day Schools.

While no definite measures were taken the Conference was useful in the opportunity it afforded in mutual acquaintance, and for the uniting of interest and attention in the subject of the ideals to be aimed at in our educational efforts.

For the American visitors,  
(Signed)

FRANK SEWALL.

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#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION OF SWEDENBORG'S MANUSCRIPTS.

During the Sessions of the Swedenborg Congress in London last summer a conference was held of the representatives of the Swedenborg Society of London, of the American General Convention, of the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, of the Academy of the New Church, and of the Swedenborg Scientific Association in the interest of co-operation in reproducing the writings of Swedenborg; first and especially in the reproduction of the MSS. At the meeting it was unanimously agreed that the work of phototyping the theological MSS. of Swedenborg be proceeded with as circumstances may permit.

It was estimated that this work would require the expenditure of \$4000 a year for not less than five years, in addition to the salary of the editor. This latter was to be provided by a contribution of \$600 each from the Swedenborg Society of London and the Academy of the New Church, and \$100 from the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, and the continuance of the contribution of \$500 a year from the Convention.

It was agreed by those present that the \$4000 be contributed by an annual contribution of \$1000 each by the London Swedenborg Society, the Academy of the New Church, the General Convention and the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society.

Your chairman, after conference with the Treasurer of the Convention and, in view of the funds already on hand

and appropriated to this purpose, has committed the Convention to \$1000 a year for four years, which will require but a few hundred dollars in addition to the funds already assigned to this work.

Your committee hopes that you will give to this matter the earnest attention it deserves. These MSS. are of inestimable value to the Church. They are stored in a building which not only is not at all fireproof, but is stored with inflammable material. No private owner of such a treasure would venture for a moment to leave it so exposed to destruction. And the only method available to the Church for securing the safety of this treasure is to reproduce it by the phototype process.

Those who have given but little attention to this subject can have necessarily only a vague and remote conception of its importance. But when one has been permitted to have in his hands and before his eyes the very pages which Swedenborg wrote, to follow the very traces of his pen, the inexpressible value of these original pages gets impressed upon his mind with a vividness that can never be dimmed. If a majority of the members of this body had had this experience, there would be no hesitation about going on with this work.

JOHN C. AGER, *Chairman.*

**A PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE WORK ON SWEDEN-BORGIANA IN SWEDEN UP TO MARCH FIRST, 1911.**

According to a custom established ten years ago the undersigned has annually reported to the Swedenborg Scientific Association progress made in transcribing and publishing Swedenborgiana. Occasionally, as the course of events in Sweden seemed to indicate that additional or supplementary reports and communications were advisable, they have been written and sometimes published in *The New Philosophy* and other periodicals. At a meeting on July 11th, 1910, of the London Swedenborg Society's Committee with the representatives of the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, the Academy of the New Church and of the Swedenborg Scientific Association, a number of important motions affecting the work on Swedenborgiana in Sweden were passed, and among them: "That Mr. Stroh have copies of his report typewritten in Sweden and sent to all the Societies contributing to the phototyping fund." In agreement with the above motion I now send this report, to the Societies mentioned above and to the Rotch Trustees.

Ever since the work in Sweden was undertaken in 1902 it has been carried on along three main lines, namely, (1) the phototyping of Swedenborg's theological works, (2) the printing of Swedenborg's scientific works, and (3) the investigation of Swedenborgiana. All the other results obtained by efforts in Sweden, such as the removal of Swedenborg's remains; the discussions of Swedenborg and his work in the press and Swedish Parliament; the preparations for the International Swedenborg Congress by the embodiment in papers and festival publications of results obtained during the past decade; the imposing ceremonies connected with the unveiling of Swedenborg's sarcophagus, which was celebrated by the printing of a number of festival publications, all these results, although of no small significance in their influence upon the public and in the advertisement and sale of Swedenborg's works, both scientific and theological, are nevertheless of secondary importance when compared with the three original lines of work. The public proceedings in honor of the great scientific investigator and patriot Swedenborg were undertaken not, as some have supposed, in order to advertise Swedenborg

or arouse public opinion, but solely in order to do justice to the historic character of his labors. All these imposing ceremonies will soon be nothing but an inspiring memory, save in so far as they have been enshrined and symbolized in the granite sarcophagus, and possibly in the medal which I have proposed shall be struck. My proposal that a bronze statue of Swedenborg should be erected in the Southern Quarter of Stockholm, in the Adolf Fredrik Square on Hornsgatan has been well received by a number of interested New Churchmen and by such officials as have been consulted here. The unveiling of the statue in 1916, the bicentenary of the date of the *Daedalus Hyperboreus*, in which Swedenborg first began to publish his scientific works, might very suitably be made the occasion of a "Swedenborg Congress" at Stockholm. But all such projects are still in the embryonic stage and all that seems important now as far as these public ceremonies and proceedings are concerned, would seem to be the harvesting of the growth of interest excited during recent years, and the recording in a proposed memorial volume, "*In Memoriam Emanuel Swedenborg*," of the results hitherto obtained.

#### THE PHOTOTYPING OF SWEDENBORG'S THEOLOGICAL WORKS.

According to the motions passed at the meeting of representatives in London it was decided to proceed first with a volume of minor theological MSS. and the *Adversaria*, and later with the *Arcana Coelestia*, including the Index; the *Apocalypse Explicata* first draft; and the Index to the *Apocalypse Revelata*.

The volume of minor theological MSS. is in hand and will be more particularly referred to in the annual report. According to the contents planned it will include a tolerably complete collection of Swedenborg's minor theological works, the various letters, memorials and other documents of theological content or bearing being printed in the complete series of *Swedenborgiana* of which Part I was laid on the table of the Swedenborg Congress.

The *Adversaria* naturally falls into four phototyped volumes, the first two of which are well in hand, several hundred pages in the two volumes being printed. In order that interested students may have access to the matter as it is printed it is proposed that sets of the sheets be sent to the three centers where New-Church students and scholars can most readily reach them, namely, to the

Swedenborg Society, London, to the Academy of the New-Church, Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania, and to the New-Church Theological School, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

The phototyping of the Arcana MS. should be begun as soon as the minor theological MSS., letters and memorials are disposed of.

#### THE PRINTING OF SWEDENBORG'S SCIENTIFIC WORKS.

As editor of the edition of Swedenborg's scientific works now under publication by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, and as secretary of the Academy's Swedenborg Committee I am able to supply the following information concerning the progress of the Committee's labors. At a meeting of the committee on the 31st of May, 1910, the Secretary communicated the following plan for the edition:

Vol. I., *Geologica et Epistolae* with an Appendix.

Vol. II., *Cosmologica*.

Vol. III., *Miscellanea de Rebus Naturalibus*.

Vol. IV., *Daedalus Hyperboreus et varia ex annis 1716-*

*1722.*

Vol. V., *Principia Rerum Naturalium*.

Vol. VI., *De Ferro*.

Vol. VII., *De Cupro*.

Vol. VIII., *Varia Anatomica, Physiologica et Psychologica*.

Vol. IX., *Oeconomia Regni Animalis*.

Vol. X., *De Cerebro*.

Vol. XI., *De Morbis Cerebri*.

Vol. XII., *Regnum Animale cum indicibus et notis historicis criticisque totius seriei*.

Vols. I and II have appeared; Vol. III is about to appear; and about one-half of Vols. IV and VIII are printed or set up. It now seems probable that since such excellent results have been obtained with the photolithographic reproduction of the Daedalus in Vol. IV the same method will be employed in reproducing the *Opera Philosophica et Mineralia*, in Vols. V to VII. Further information concerning the edition, as also concerning a number of translations in progress, will be furnished in the annual report.

#### THE INVESTIGATION OF SWEDENBORGIANA.

No better way of taking a general survey of the progress made in the investigation of Swedenborgiana can be found than by examining the series of ten festival publications issued during 1910 in celebration of the Swedenborg

Society's Centenary and of the unveiling of Swedenborg's sarcophagus at Upsala. The ten festival publications are the following.

1. *Opera Poetica Emanuelis Swedenborgii.* Published by the University of Upsala.
2. *Festivus Applausus in Caroli XII adventum in Pomeraniam suam.* Published at Stockholm.
3. *Swedenborgiana I.* Three new MSS. by Swedenborg phototyped by the New-Church Publishing Society of Stockholm.
4. An Abridged Chronological List of the Works of Emanuel Swedenborg. Published by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences in English and Swedish editions.
5. *Kungliga Vetenskaps Societetens i Upsala Tvhund-saars Minne.* By Professor Nils Duner, including the early minutes and statutes of the Society and a facsimile reproduction of *Daedalus Hyperboreus*. Published by the Royal Society of Sciences of Upsala.
6. The Mortal Remains of Emanuel Swedenborg. An account by J. Vilh. Hultkrantz. In *Nova Acta Regiae Societatis Scientiarum Upsaliensis.* Ser. IV., Vol. 2, n. 9. Published by the Royal Society of Sciences of Upsala.
7. *Till Kungl. Vetenskaps Societeten i Upsala vid dess 200-arsjubileum.* After the Preface by Rector Magnificus Schuck follows a work by Professor O. M. Ramstrom: "Emanuel Swedenborg's Investigations in Natural Science, especially his statements concerning the functions of the Brain." Published by Upsala University.
8. *Constitutiones Nationis Dalekarlo — Vestmannicæ MDCC Datæ.* Including notes in Swedish on Swedenborg's student days at Upsala 1699-1709. Published by the Vestmanland-Dala Nation.
9. *Emanuelis Swedenborgii Itineraria.* Resebeskrifningar af Emanuel Swedenborg under aren 1710-1739. Published by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences.
10. *Selectæ Sententiae.* Disputatio Emanuelis Swedenborgii. Editio Phototypica. Published by the New-Church Publishing Society of Stockholm.
11. *Camena Borea.* Opusculum juvenile Emanuelis Swedenborgii. Editio Phototypica. Published by the Swedenborg Society, British and Foreign, of London.
12. *En Swedenborgs Reformation.* By Hr. Hjalmar Kylen, Stockholm, describing early New-Church and "Swedborgian" movements in Sweden.

The first four of the above mentioned festival publications were issued in celebration of the Swedenborg So-

cietry's Centenary and were laid upon the table of the International Swedenborg Congress, London, July, 1910. The remaining eight publications were issued on November 19th, 1910, in celebration of the unveiling of Swedenborg's sarcophagus in Upsala Cathedral and of the bicentenary of the Royal Society of Sciences of Upsala.

Additional results from Swedish sources have been published in a number of periodicals during 1910 and in the early portions of the Transactions of the International Congress.

In concluding this report I desire to express my satisfaction with the present arrangements, which promise a great development of the work in Sweden, and I also wish to express my thanks to the Societies which have so generously engaged me in these uses. May they be continued until all the manuscripts of Swedenborg have been reproduced and the foundations laid for the inevitable *Opera Omnia Emanuelis Swedenborgii* is the earnest prayer of

Yours sincerely,

ALFRED H. STROH.

Library of the Royal Swedish Academy of Science,  
Stockholm March 1st, 1911.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE IUNGERICH PUBLICATION FUND.**

*To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America:—*

The Trustees of the Iungerich Publication Fund make the following report of their operations for thirteen months, the last report having covered only eleven months by reason of the early date for the holding of the session of the Convention. As last year they made quite a long report in order to explain a good many matters, they now present a very brief report.

There are only two things really that perhaps are worthy of special mention. In the last report they called attention to the fact that the distribution of "A Great Thinker," in which had been enclosed an offer of the Gift Books, has stimulated the demand, and during the year they co-operated with the Rotch Trustees in sending out a good many more of those pamphlets, with the result that it has again greatly stimulated the demand for the Gift Books, so that although last year the amount distributed was in excess of the amounts distributed for some previous years, as against the number of copies distributed during that eleven months, there were distributed during the last thirteen months the following numbers of copies of the Gift Books, including those distributed by the Tract Society:—

T. C. R. ....	573	as against 289
A. R. ....	548	as against 267
H. & H. ....	573	as against 313
White's Life of Swedenborg ...	536	as against 257

Of the German edition of T. C. R. there were not so many distributed this year, probably due to some special reasons and an interruption of this work for a time, but Rev. Mr. Roeder reports that he has sent out 23 copies during the year.

Recognizing the usefulness of this advertising, and believing that it would be of great service to have all the offers of the Gift Books, as well as those distributed by the Tract Society and the Iungerich Trustees as the first volume of A. C. distributed by the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, the Trustees have entered into an agreement with the latter Society that the J. B.

Lippincott Co. shall issue a joint circular, making an offer of all the books, and have agreed to send this out to a very large number of ministers, and this process will be continued systematically for some years, sending to one particular denomination at a time.

The following are the figures reported by the J. B. Lippincott Co. of the Gift Books sent out by them during the last thirteen months:—

“True Christian Religion” .....	573 copies
“Apocalypse Revealed” .....	548 copies
and for the Tract Society of:—	
“Heaven and Hell” .....	573 copies
White’s “Life of Swedenborg” .....	536 copies
And of the German edition of “True Christian Religion” there have been distributed .....	
	23 copies

or a total of ..... 2253 volumes  
of the above books as against 1,157 for the previous eleven months.

The Trustees suggested in their last report that all of the missionaries, ministers, and indeed, all New Church men should take advantage of the new interest in the Writings of Swedenborg, aroused by the wide circulation of “A Great Thinker,” and they record with a great deal of pleasure that one of the missionaries in the extreme western part of the country has acted vigorously upon this suggestion and latterly the greater number of the books that have been sent out have been to ministers that he has interested.

The Financial and Cash Statements follow:—

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

On April 11, 1910, the Trustees reported the amount of invested funds, including real estate, as being..	\$45,237.50
Cash balance in bank .....	2,987.86
Total .....	\$48,225.36
In lieu of the above the Trustees now report the following:—	

#### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

	Cost	Par Value
Reading Railroad 4 per cent Bonds .....	\$3,530.00	\$4,000.00
Westinghouse Electric 5 per cent Bonds..	2,100.00	2,000.00
Lehigh Valley Consolidated Mortgage 6 per cent Bond .....	1,240.00	1,000.00
<i>Amounts carried forward</i> .....	\$6,870.00	\$7,000.00

<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	<i>\$6,870.00</i>	<i>\$7,000.00</i>
<b>Lehigh Valley Consolidated Mortgage 4 1/2 per cent Bonds .....</b>	<b>5,250.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>Pennsylvania R. R. Consolidated Mortgage 4 per cent Bonds .....</b>	<b>5,062.50</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>Bond and Mortgage—Barrett .....</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>
"    "    "    —Market Street .....	6,250.00	6,250.00
"    "    "    —Marshall Street .....	2,500.00	2,500.00
"    "    "    —Thompson Street .....	4,000.00	4,000.00
"    "    "    —Cynwyd, Pa. .....	6,000.00	6,000.00

**REAL ESTATE.**

<b>Weber Property .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 900.00</b>
<b>Rudolph Property .....</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>
<b>Landroches Property .....</b>	<b>6,500.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>Cash in Bank .....</b>	<b>736.02</b>	<b>736.02</b>
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	<b>\$50,168.52</b>	<b>\$47,886.02</b>

**DETAILS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES APRIL 1, 1910, TO MAY, 1911.****DR.**

April 11. Balance .....	\$ 2,987.86
" 26. To rent, Landroches, Jan. 1 to May 1, less collection charges .....	74.00
May 2. To six months' interest on Pennsylvania R. R. Co. Bonds due May 1....	100.00
" 24. To six months' interest on Frankford Av. Mortgage, due May 23 .....	50.00
" 26. To Frankford Ave. Mort- gage paid off .....	2,000.00
" 26. To accrued interest on Frankford Av. Mortgage, from May 23 to May 26	.83
June 1. To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. Annuity Bond, due June 1	30.00
Sept. 15. To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley R. R. Con- solidated Mortgage Bonds, due June 1 .....	112.50
" 15. To six months' interest on Reading Bonds, due July 1 .....	120.00
" 15. To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Bonds, due July 1.....	75.00
" 15. To six months' interest on Westinghouse Electric Bonds, due July 1.....	50.00
<i>Amount carried forward .....</i>	<i>\$5,600.19</i>

	<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	\$ 5,600.19
Sept. 15.	To six months' interest on Barrett, Mortgage, due Aug. 1 .....	105.00
Oct. 18.	To six months' interest on Market Street Mortgage, due April 11 .....	156.25
Dec. 8.	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. Annuity Bond, due Dec. 1 .....	30.00
" 8.	To six months' interest on Fourth Street Mortgage, due May 17 .....	37.50
" 13.	To six months' interest on Pennsylvania R. R. Co. Bonds, due Nov. 1.....	100.00
" 18.	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley R. R. Consolidated Mortgage Bonds, due Dec. 1 .....	112.50
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Jan. 3.	To six months' interest on Reading Bonds, due Jan. 1 .....	120.00
" 3.	To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Bonds, due Jan. 1.....	75.00
" 3.	To six months' interest on Westinghouse Electric Bonds, due Jan. 1.....	50.00
" 24.	To rent, Landroches, May 1, 1910 to Jan. 1, 1911, less collection charges .....	148.00
" 28.	To six months' interest on Fourth Street Mortgage, due Nov. 17, 1910 .....	37.50
" 28.	To Fourth Street Mortgage paid off .....	1,500.00
" 28.	To accrued interest on Fourth Street Mortgage, from Nov. 17, 1910 to Jan. 27, 1911 .....	14.59
" 28.	To six months' interest on Market Street Mortgage, due Oct. 11, 1910 .....	156.25
Feb. 1.	To six months' interest on Barrett Mortgage, due Feb. 1 .....	105.00
Mar. 20.	Reading Bond sold at 97..	970.00
" 20.	To Reading Bond sold at 96 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	968.75
" 20.	To accrued interest on two Reading Bonds, from Jan. 1 to Mar. 20. ....	17.56
April 26.	To Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Bonds sold (on ac).....	3,000.00
	<i>Amount carried forward .....</i>	\$ 13,304.09

<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	\$13,304.09
May 1. To six months' interest on Pennsylvania R. R. Co. Bonds, due May 1 .....	100.00
" 2. To settlement for sale of one Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Bond at 109 $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	95.00
" 2. To accrued interest on one Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Bond, from Jan. 1 to April 26 .....	15.97
" 3. To six months' interest on Market Street Mortgage, due April 11 .....	156.25
" 5. To rent, Landroches, Jan. 1 to April 1, less collection charges .....	55.50
" 8. To settlement for sale of two Lehigh Valley Co. Bonds at 109 $\frac{1}{4}$ .....	185.00
" 8. To accrued interest on two Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Bonds, from Jan. 1 to April 26 .....	31.95
" 9. To six months' interest on Marshall Street Mortgage, due April 19 .....	62.56
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	\$ 14,006.32

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April 22.	By Rotch Trustees, three-fourth of bill for inserting 40,010 notices of "Gift Books" in "A Great Thinker", between July, 1909 and April, 1910... 34.06
April 23.	By Landroches, 1909 Taxes 85.35
" 23.	By Weber, " " 13.04
" 23.	By Rudolph, " " 30.91
" 26.	By Landroches, repairs... 3.75
May 3.	By American Swedenborg Pr. and Pub. Society for books donated ..... 17.94
" 17.	By rent of safe deposit box at Provident Life and Trust Co. to May 14, 1911 20.00
Oct. 6.	By \$2,500 fire insurance on Rotch Trustees plates, to May 11, 1911 ..... 3.75
" 21.	By Bond and Mortgage, 801-803 North Marshall Street ..... 2,500.00
" 21.	By accrued interest on Marshall Street Mortgage, from Oct. 19 to Oct. 21.. .75
<i>Amounts carried forward , .....</i>	\$2,709.55 \$ 14,006.32

<i>Amounts brought forward .....</i>	\$2,709.55	\$ 14,006.32
Oct. 21. By certificate of succession of Trustees, acknowledgement to same and recording .....	7.25	
Nov. 19. By American Swedenborg Pr. and Pub. Society for books donated .....	8.20	
Dec. 2. By J. B. Lippincott Co., printing 1000 copies of A. R. .....	487.00	
<b>1911</b>		
Jan. 24. By Landroches, window and door screens, etc. ....	35.10	
Mar. 20. By Bond and Mortgage, Cynwyd, Pa. ....	6,000.00	
April 26. By Bond and Mortgage, 1500 Thompson Street ..	4,000.00	
" 26. By accrued interest on Thompson Street Mortgage, from April 1 to April 26 .....	15.00	
May 5. By Landroches, repairs....	8.20	
		<u>\$ 13,270.30</u>

Cash balance, May 9, 1911,  
at Fidelity Trust Company, Philadelphia      \$ 736.02

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. McGEOERGE, JR.,  
HORACE E. SMITH,  
WM. BURNHAM,  
**ADOLPH AHRENS, JR.,**  
*Trustees.*

**REPORT OF THE AUDITORS OF ACCOUNT OF THE  
TRUSTEES OF JUNGERICH FUND.**

The undersigned committee, appointed by the General Convention to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Jungerich Publication Fund, beg to report that they have carefully vouched and examined the account of the said Trustees about to be presented to the General Convention in June, 1911, both as to items of charge and discharge, and find the same to be correct as stated, the balance shown thereby of \$736.02 being vouched by the bank book.

They further report that they have also inspected the securities set forth in the Financial Statement, which is a part of said account, and find the same to be intact.

W. C. RODMAN,  
E. H. ALDEN,

Philadelphia, May 12th, 1911.

*Committee.*

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**REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF INFORMATION.**

Owing to an extended absence of the Chairman of the Bureau in the Far East from October 1909 to June 1910 and ill health for several months since his return, but little progress has been made upon the contemplated revision of the list of names and addresses, some 5000 in number, of New-Church people in the United States.

Since these names have been collected there have been three calls for copies of the list, one from the Massachusetts New-Church Union, one from Syracuse, and one from the New-Church Board of Publication, and in response to each call the cabinet and cards have been sent to the parties requesting the same and some benefits have thus accrued to other agencies of the New Church; at the present time the New-Church Board of Publication is having a large number of the names and addresses on the list struck off in metal slips for use in an addressing machine.

These demands for copies, which cannot be supplied by the Bureau for lack of funds, necessitate the removal for considerable periods of time, of the cabinet and cards out of the custody of the Chairman, which has a tendency to embarrass current work of the Bureau and this experience leads to the conclusion that duplicates of all the cards

should be made which would involve additional expense and for which provision has not hitherto been made. Also it is very desirable that thorough revision of the lists should be made annually which will add considerable to the annual expense of keeping up the work. It may be here remarked that by oversight occasioned by the absence of the Chairman no appropriation was made for the Bureau for the current year.

The initiative work of the Bureau has stirred thought on the general subject and Mr. John R. Swanton's valuable suggestions for the establishment of a Permanent Bureau of Information were well received, carefully considered by Convention and referred to this Bureau for action with request to secure the co-operation of the Evidence Society, Theological School and the Book Rooms in enlarging the scope and rendering more effective the work of informing the Church and the world as to the status and progress of the New-Church throughout the United States.

It is a work well worth the expense of its establishment and maintenance along the lines suggested, in the expansion of which other and greater uses may be served, for instance a more direct and wider circulation of Convention Journal. It seems to the Chairman that the proper performance of the work in all its branches would require the undivided time and service of a Manager who could keep in daily touch with the several church agencies and activities and utilize for the Bureau and its several departments the information gathered by his survey of the several fields of church use, including the periodical revision of the lists of New Churchmen.

A headquarters would be necessary which might be considered the Executive office of the Convention and an adequate clerical force provided to meet the growing requirements of the work. The establishment of such a Permanent Bureau and Headquarters might very easily and properly include the office of Church Historian and Archives, for the organization of which a proposition was brought before the Convention several years ago.

The requirements for the operation of a Permanent Bureau are such that it is hardly probable that volunteers for the work could be secured for the almost continuous daily service which would be needed to keep the affairs of the Bureau in order and up-to-date, and compensation therefor would be necessary.

The work is a useful one and can be made a valuable

supplement to nearly every department of Church work and for this reason should receive the encouragement of Convention and its financial support.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. E. SPAMER, *Chairman.*

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REPORT OF THE PUBLISHER OF THE  
NEW-CHURCH *MESSENGER*.

The publisher of the *Messenger* has to report a fairly successful year, with a working balance of \$532.96 in hand and all obligations paid. The policy has been pursued of making, if possible, the fixed income of the paper cover the expenditures, without asking the Convention to give help from other resources. In order to do this it is often necessary to curtail the effectiveness of some of the issues rather than make an outlay that would run the paper into debt. As time passes, however, and the cost of various commodities, including labor, increases it becomes more difficult to keep the expense within the income. The publisher has been advised that hereafter it will be necessary for him to pay rent for office room; and the cost of printing and mailing has recently been materially increased; all of which make it difficult to keep the expenditures within the regular income without reducing the efficiency and usefulness of the paper.

The subscription list is practically the same as it has been for several years past. There is, of course, some change constantly taking place. Some names come off and new ones are added, but the list continues remarkably stable. Just now there are 38 less papers sent out than a year ago, the reduction being partly caused by dropping the names of some to whom the paper was sent free through the order of other persons, and whose term of subscription had consequently expired. Many subscriptions are paid for by individuals who know of those unable to pay the price; and several societies send the *Messenger* to all their own members unable to take it from lack of means. The publisher also has a fund, contributed by different persons, in sums of from one to ten dollars, for the same purpose. The many expressions of gratitude from the beneficiaries of this fund indicate that it is one of the most important uses in the Church. Indeed, the

publisher feels so much impressed with it that he sends the paper to many regardless of the fund's being exhausted. The chief aim of the editor is to make the paper useful, and then to get it into the hands of as many people as possible. In this effort he is nobly seconded by the societies, ministers and people. Some societies have regularly-appointed correspondents to keep the editor informed of all matters of interest occurring in their midst, and many ministers act as correspondents and agents of the *Messenger*. And it would be well if this practice were more general. Every minister should consider himself a committee of one to represent the *Messenger* in his society and neighborhood. He should not only send the news of the church to the editor, but he should write subjects of current thought having relation to the church into short, crisp articles to give to the readers. Then he should seek, if possible, to get the paper regularly into every church house and encourage the reading of it. It is impossible to overrate the advantage that would accrue to the church through the universal adoption of this principle. Some of the ministers are doing all they can in this direction, and their societies are much benefited and their work more effective by reason of it. But there are others, vigorous and able men, who are doing but little whose societies are suffering as the result, and their work is not as effective as it might be. The *Messenger* is the property of the whole church, and every member should think of it as such and compete with the editor and publisher in making it useful. Especially should the ministers and executive officers of societies do so. These things are not said in a spirit of complaint, but wholly in the effort to promote the highest usefulness of the church and the church paper. The editor is at its head to direct matters, and he desires the co-operation of all.

As to the editorial conduct of the *Messenger* and the character of its contents, it is much more difficult to guide it than to care for the business management. A people of so much individuality, such independence of thought, and diverse shades of doctrinal belief on the questions occupying the attention of the church, are not easy to please. It would seem to be the duty of the editor of a paper like the *Messenger*, while aiming to be well in the van of the progress of the church, to keep as clear as possible of the various fads and fancies that are taking hold of the people in these days and hold closely to the doctrines revealed by the Lord for the New Church, and the

most manifest deductions to be legitimately based thereon. In trying to do this the editor is sure to make some mistakes. It has been his experience, however, to find the people of the church very kind and charitable toward his errors and not inclined to make too much of them, but rather to judge him by the main purpose he has in view; and for this kind judgment he feels himself duly grateful.

It should be said that last year, through the co-operation of a committee of the Literary Bureau, an arrangement was made for the issue of two special editions of the *Messenger* before Convention and for the more effective reporting of the proceedings of last year's Convention by the employment of a shorthand writer. This involved some extra expense, to meet which the New-Church Board of Publication made an appropriation of \$226.00.

The various items of receipts and expenditures are herewith appended in a summary statement:

JOHN S. SAUL.

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**REPORT OF THE NEW-CHURCH MESSENGER**  
**YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1911.**

*Receipts:*

Balance May, 1910.....	\$ 710.50	5
Subscriptions .....	3,936.20	
Advertising .....	380.00	
Income Account.....	1,898.78	
N. C. Board of Publication for special issues....	226.00	
Donations .....	47.50	
		\$7,198.98

*Expenses.*

Paper .....	\$ 637.16	
Presswork, mailing and foreign postage.....	615.72	
Typesetting .....	1,061.56	
Makeup, setting ads. &c.....	531.35	
Addressing and mail list.....	99.33	
Envelopes for mailing.....	152.40	
Postage (domestic) .....	101.06	
Contributors .....	456.00	
Report Convention, 1910.....	108.25	
Office help.....	416.00	
Publisher's salary and editorial help.....	2,400.00	
Stamps and incidentals.....	87.19	
		\$6,666.02
Balance May 1, 1911.....	\$ 582.96	

I hereby certify that I have checked over the accounts of the New-Church *Messenger*, for the year ending May 1st, 1911, and find them correct as shown above. The balance of \$532.96 is deposited in the Merchants' Loan and Trust Co. Bank of Chicago in the name of the New-Church *Messenger*.

FREDERICK A. SMITH, *Auditor.*

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**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REVISION  
OF THE *MAGNIFICAT*.**

The Committee reports the completion of its work and the issuing of the new *Magnificat* through the Board of Publication. The Convention's directions to the Committee are being carried out in regard to the exchange of the old books for new without expense to the Societies, and many Societies have already effected the exchange. The revision and issue of the book in accordance with this direction led to a great increase of cost over the estimate at first suggested to Convention, as will be seen in the report of the Board of Publication. A large part of the additional expense has been contributed by individual members of the Church interested in the presentation of the new book to the Church upon the generous terms of free exchange already referred to, and it is felt further that the Church will receive the full benefit of the increased cost in so greatly improved a book, improved especially in general form and make-up and in musical, textual and indexical revision. For further description of the new book the Committee would respectfully refer to the preface of the Revised Edition, which will be found in the book itself.

Trusting that the new book will be of such substantial use to the whole Church for a long term of years as to abundantly justify the labor and expense which its preparation has incurred, the Committee regards its task as now fulfilled, except for such matters of minor corrections and other details as may come up in the issuing of the editions.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

FRANK SEWALL, *Chairman.*

CHARLES W. HARVEY, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE LITERARY BUREAU.

The plan announced in our last report, concerning the proposed distribution of an abridged edition of the "True Christian Religion" to Protestant clergymen throughout America at the joint expense of the Iungerich Trustees and the Literary Bureau, was not acted upon by the Trustees until fall. At their meeting on October 20th last, they took action on the matter, in substance as follows:— While they did not see their way clear to act definitely on all points at that time, there were some points about which they did reach a conclusion. In view of the fact that the Iungerich Fund was established for the distribution of certain of the writings of Swedenborg among clergymen, they were not in agreement as to whether they could rightfully take part in the publication and distribution of an abridgment of one of those works. In any case they were agreed that they would not be willing to take part in the distribution of so cheap a book as that proposed, preferring a better book and a more limited distribution. Finally, they stated "that it would be impossible for the Trustees to advance \$6,000 now without depleting the Trust, and this they would not care to do." We may add that no attempt has yet been made to modify the original plan and submit it to the Trustees for their further consideration; but we have recently approached them with the request that, as our proposition did not meet with their approval, they make a counter-proposition for our consideration. What we desire is, that an abridged edition of the "True Christian Religion" be published in inexpensive form for free distribution to Protestant clergymen, both in order to give them an opportunity of becoming acquainted with the main teachings of Swedenborg, and to make known to them the offer of the "gift-books."

Concerning the proposed second edition of 50,000 copies of "A Great Thinker," we have to report that, owing to other demands upon the income of the Rotch legacy, because of the publication of Benjamin Worcester's new life of Swedenborg, and of a new work for the blind, this has not yet been printed. While an impression of 5,000 copies has come from the press during the year, this was not entrusted to the Literary Bureau for distribution to clergymen. That the distribution of the 35,000 copies that were sent out to clergymen a year and a half ago had considerable good effect, is shown by the following figures con-

cerning the number of the gift-books that have been called for during three recent annual periods that somewhat overlap each other:—

For year ending April 30, 1909.....	503 copies
For year ending March 31, 1910.....	1,314 copies
For year ending December 31, 1910.....	2,025 copies

(See *Convention Journal* for 1909, p. 161; same for 1910, p. 161; and the Annual Report of the American New-Church Tract and Publication Society for the year 1910, p. 13.) While part of this increase is due to other causes than the distribution of the 35,000 copies to clergymen, the greater part of it is unquestionably due to that distribution. Therefore we earnestly hope that the second large edition will soon be printed, and sent to others of the same class.

The only distribution work involving expense that has been done by the Literary Bureau during the past year, is that of sending the reprints of Mr. A. H. Stroh's paper on "Emanuel Swedenborg as a Cerebral Anatomist and Physiological Psychologist" to members of the American Medico-Physiological Association, which includes a number of professors of psychology. The expense was ten dollars.

The amount held in trust for the Literary Bureau by B. A. Whittemore on May 5th, 1910, was \$152.25. During the year a contribution of \$3 has been received, and payments amounting to \$12.03 (Stroh paper, \$10; typewriting, \$1.43; postage, 60 cents) have been made; so that the amount of cash on hand on May 1st, 1911, was \$143.22.

The several committees who have acted under the chairmanship of the Secretary were not appointed this year, with the exception of the Committee on Special Problems, for the reason that the Secretary has been unable to give the necessary time to initiate the work. These committees were:—

On "Clipping Sheet," on "Ways of Co-operating" and on "Missionary Field."

There were received during the year and forwarded to Rev. L. F. Hite, President of the Evidence Society, eighty-eight (88) clippings from newspapers throughout the country.

In view of the inactivity of these committees, the Bureau has made no suggestions to the Convention Program Committee this year.

JOHN C. AGER, *Chairman.*

**REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH  
EVIDENCE SOCIETY.**

The annual meeting of the Evidence Society was called to order at 9:30 Monday, June 12th, by the Vice President, Rev. Paul Sperry. After a brief devotional service, conducted by the chairman, tellers were appointed. The chairman then spoke of the work of the Society during the year just passed. The numerous newspaper accounts of the recent International Swedenborg Congress were referred to and several other press notices, more or less depreciatory of Swedenborg and his doctrines, were briefly discussed. The two-fold work of the Society was emphasized, namely: The work of collecting evidence and the work of giving evidence. The members were reminded that the Corresponding Secretary of the Society stood ready to reply to press misrepresentations of Swedenborg. Mr. Sperry also spoke of the valuable assistance rendered the Society by a Literary Clipping Bureau in New York.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mr. Harvey, then read his report, giving an account of his work and calling special attention to the careful and painstaking work of Mr. Samuel E. W. Haines. Mr. Haines, it was pointed out, has worked out a careful cross-reference system for the press clippings of the Society and has also prepared a card catalog.

The Society voted to extend to Mr. Haines a vote of thanks for his conscientious and careful work.

The following officers were elected:

President, Rev. Lewis F. Hite.

Vice President, Rev. Paul Sperry.

Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. R. D. Book.

Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Warren Goddard.

Corresponding Secretary for the Foreign Press, Rev. Axel Lundeberg.

The meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock after the singing of a hymn.

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**REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH  
SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.**

The Forty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Association was held in the Red Room of La Salle Hotel, Chicago, Ill., on Thursday evening, June 8, and Friday morning, June 9. Helpful addresses were delivered by the Rev. Russell

Eaton, of Urbana, on "The Educational Value of the Sunday-school" and by the Rev. Paul Sperry, of Brockton, on "Methods of Home-Department Work and How to Carry Them Out."

Mr. Wm. N. Hobart, of Cincinnati, moved a Resolution, and it was carried, conveying to the publishers of Sunday Afternoons the Association's heartfelt appreciation of what they were doing and seeking to enlist the practical co-operation of the Schools in the undertaking.

It was voted to institute examinations in the schools under the guidance of the Lesson Committee.

The Secretary reported a total enrolment of 3,245 from 61 schools. The report of 1910 spoke of a somewhat marked decrease in the total enrolment of the younger classes. This decrease still continues. In fact, comparison with the enrolment during the last two decades shows a rather alarming state of things. In 1889 our 11 largest schools reported 1419 children. To-day they report but 573. For the last two years the decline has been particularly rapid, having fallen in these 11 schools 96 in 1910, 94 in 1911. It is evident that if the Association is to survive, help must reach it soon. In the meantime, that is to say, between 1889 and 1911 the Sunday School enrolment of the whole Christian church in the United States increased by more than 13 millions. The cause of the decline was not touched upon in the Secretary's report and the exigencies of the programme forbade the taking up of the question during the Association sessions.

Respectfully submitted,

**JOHN W. STOCKWELL, President.**

**H. S. CONANT, Secretary.**

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#### **REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH LEAGUE.**

The Twenty-fourth Annual Conference of the American New-Church League was held in the Red Room, Hotel La Salle, Chicago, Ill., on Friday and Saturday, June 9 and 10, 1911. There were present 59 delegates representing 23 leagues.

The Secretary reported that the league now numbers 39 local leagues, with a membership of 1356 active members, 177 honorary members, and 65 associate members.

The results of the year's work of the American League, as shown by the reports of the committees, displayed an

increased interest and activity in most departments, but more especially was the interest evident in the line of doctrinal study as urged by the Reading Circle Committee. The Board of the *League Journal* reported a slight increase in the number of subscribers as a result of much expenditure of labor. The Conference voted to designate the last Sunday of January, 1912, as League Sunday. It discarded as inappropriate the badge of the League, and authorized the appointment of a special committee to submit a design to the next Conference. A four years' doctrinal reading course was adopted, with the necessary measures to publish a four year chart of daily readings.

The meetings were distinguished by the unity of purpose of the delegates present, and gave great promise of accomplishing the effect desired for the coming year of greater co-operation and solidarity in League work.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE B. BLACKMER, *President.*

A. EDITH ABELL, *Secretary.*

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#### REPORT OF THE ROUND TABLE.

A meeting of the Round Table was held in the Red Room of the Hotel La Salle, Tuesday evening, June 13, at 8 o'clock, Rev. Hiram Vrooman presiding.

The subject for discussion was "Our Responsibility for Fairer Relations Between Employer and Employee."

The speakers were Mr. Geo. C. Warren, of Boston, on "Capital and Labor; Some Errors in Labor Organizations." Mr. Louis F. Post, of Chicago, on "Are These Relations Unfair and Why?" Mrs. O. P. Bourland, of Pontiac, Ill., on "Industrial Education, Will It Aid in the Solution of the Problem of Employer and Employee?"

The discussion following the papers was continued until a late hour after which officers were elected as follows: President, Rev. Thomas French, Jr.; Sec'y Treas., Rev. Hiram Vrooman; Members of Executive Committee, Miss Ellen Andrews, Miss Ednah C. Silver, Rev. J. W. Stockwell, Mrs. C. J. Cobb. Meeting then adjourned.

ALICE BENSON COBB, *Secretary pro tem.*

**Reports of Associations and Societies.****CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.**

Societies	Pastors	Number Members
Los Angeles .....		45
Riverside .....	Rev. Berry Edmiston .....	44
San Diego .....	Rev. M. F. Underwood.....	40
San Francisco (O'Farrell St.)..	Rev. J. S. David.....	75
Total .....		204

The Los Angeles Society enjoyed the services of Mr. W. R. Reece during the earlier part of the year, but is now without a pastor. Mr. N. D. Barker is acting as lay reader. It is hoped that the services of Dr. Thomas French, late of Buffalo, who is now in Los Angeles, can be secured for that Society. Some active work has been done. Three hundred copies of the cheap edition of "Heaven and Hell" have been bought and distributed freely.

The Riverside Society continues in a flourishing condition under the ministration of their venerable pastor whose eightieth birthday was happily celebrated on the 16th of March. The League is active. The church library has been enriched with a new set of the "Arcana Coelestia" and other works of Swedenborg. A set of Potts' Concordance has been purchased. One hundred dollars were subscribed for the Board of Home and Foreign Missions. On Association Sunday (April 23) six new members, not reported above, were received by the pastor.

The San Diego Society has been enjoying considerable activity. The pastor, Dr. Underwood, has made visits to Descanso, where he gave several well attended lectures and baptized two children of a New-Church family living there. He also preached a few times at Los Angeles, his place being supplied by Rev. Mr. Croy. A bulletin has been issued weekly for six months. Several numbers of "New-Church Pacific" (New Series) have been published by the pastor. The cheap edition of "Heaven and Hell" has been sold by several news dealers. And the Ladies' Aid has done good work.

In San Francisco, the O'Farrell Street Church has issued a monthly bulletin announcing services and classes, each one containing a sermonette. These have been widely distributed. A class for the study of Swedenborg meets in the library of the church every Friday evening; and a similar class meets in Oakland at the home of Mr. A. A. Webber every Monday evening. Some new interest is manifested.

The little group at San Bernardino continues to meet under the leadership of Mr. J. C. Perry.

Dr. N. H. Clafin has been doing commendable work as a missionary and colporteur in Berkeley, Oakland, Alameda, San Francisco, Sacramento, Chico and Fresno. He calls upon ministers, teachers, Y. M. C. A. Secretaries, business men in their offices when they can be found at leisure, and lends books, distributes tracts and folders, places cheap editions of Swedenborg's works with news dealers for sale, and sees that public libraries are supplied.

The Rev. J. F. Potts, on account of his great distance from us and thence the difficulty of meeting with us, tendered his resignation as General Pastor of the Association. This was accepted with deep regret at our late annual meeting. The matter of a successor was postponed for one year.

Among the resolutions adopted at our late annual meeting the following is of more than local interest:

*Resolved*, By the California Association of the New Jerusalem in session at Riverside, April 22d, 1911, that we do not desire any change in the wording of the Lord's Prayer from the form in common use in the New Church.

J. S. DAVID. *President.*

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#### CANADA ASSOCIATION.

Societies	Pastors or Leaders	Number Members
Berlin .....	Rev. E. D. Daniels.....	73
Toronto .....	.....	91
Montreal .....	.....	8
London .....	.....	13
Hamilton .....	.....	12
 Total .....	.....	197

The Rev. Percy Billings is at present usefully engaged in the Association's missionary work. He is living in Toronto but expects soon to remove to the United States.

The Sunday morning and evening services of the To-

ronto Society were continued with encouragement until the spring of 1911 when the pastorate of Mr. Billings closed. Since then Sunday morning services, the Sunday School, and other uses of the church have been continued with good attendance. Certain men of the church take turns at conducting service and reading a sermon, and Mr. W. H. Beales preaches occasionally, and with acceptance. This was especially the case on Easter Day. I give the Society a Sunday's ministrations once a month, and call upon the people where it seems of use, and hope to continue these visits until the Society obtains a pastor.

The morning and evening services of the Berlin Society have been continued with a large attendance that seldom varies, the church has a strong influence in the community and receives the respect of the people. All the auxiliary organizations of the Society, including the Ladies Aid and both the Senior and Junior Daughters, are in excellent condition. The Society has lost two members by death and has gained none, but a large class awaits confirmation the coming year. An extract from the report of the Secretary of the Society, Mr. Charles Ruby, to the Association at its last meeting, is as follows:

"The past year has been an active and progressive one in all the Departments of this Society. Through the energies of the Ladies' Aid and the Daughters of the New Jerusalem the church edifice has been provided with stained glass windows and through the kindness of two of the members of the Society two beautiful Memorial windows were installed. One of these perhaps deserves special mention as being in memory of the late Rev. F. W. Tuerk, for so many years the President of this Association and for 46 years the faithful Pastor of the Berlin Society. The interior of the House of Worship was also redecorated and recently the shingle roof, which has done duty for forty years, was replaced by one of slate. Our Church Home is now in a splendid condition of repair and its exterior is as great a delight to the eye as the doctrines which are preached within are a joy to the mind.

"It is pleasing to be able to report that the Sunday School maintains its past record for high percentage of attendance and that the membership roll has increased during the year. The Young People's League also continues its activities unremittingly.

"The most moving incident in the year's history of the Society was the removal to the higher life of Mrs. E. D. Daniels, the beloved wife of our Pastor, who was held in

most affectionate regard by all who knew her and whose departure from our midst was felt as a very great loss to the Society."

At London there is a little group of New-Church people who meet fortnightly on Tuesday evenings and study the Writings of the Church, much to their edification, under the leadership of Mr. H. B. White. I visit them usually once a month, on a week day, conduct service and preach. Quite a number of children attend. The Secretary reports that these meetings have "an average attendance of 13. the highest being 16, and the lowest 9, besides the children."

At Hamilton there is another class which meets regularly ever Sunday afternoon, under the leadership of Mr. William Addison. I have visited nearly all those families recently, and they report that their services are very delightful and helpful.

Like last year, there is no report from the Montreal Society. Their membership is given as last reported.

There are scattered New-Church people in Canada, who should be looked after. Formerly the Association had quite a list of isolated members; but of late years, until recently, they have been neglected and left to the visits of an Academy Missionary. The Rev. Mr. Billings is for the present engaged in this part of our work; and, under the combined auspices of the Convention's Missionary Board and our Association, the Rev. E. C. Ritter, of Springfield, Mass., will soon visit the maritime provinces to look after our scattered people there.

The Toronto and Berlin Societies have recently had visits from New-Churchmen from Rosthern, in the Northwest, and an effort will be made to come in closer touch with our people there.

E. D. DANIELS, *Presiding Minister.*

## ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.

Societies—	Ministers or Leaders—	Number Members
Chicago	(Kenwood, Rev. J. W. Stockwell, Pastor.....	115
	Englewood, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, Pastor.....	111
	North Side, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, Pastor.....	63
	Humboldt Park, Rev. A. B. Francisco, Pastor.....	114
	At large .....	50
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St. Louis, Mo. ....	Rev. C. A. Nussbaum, Pastor.....	112
La Porte, Ind. ....	Rev. F. A. Gustafson, Pastor .....	33
Henry, Ill. ....	Mr. Chester Bidwell, Leader.....	20
Springfield, Ill. ....	Frank H. Bode, Leader.....	21
Olney, Ill. ....	William Bower, Leader.....	21
Peoria, Ill. ....	Mrs. A. E. Bassett, Secretary.....	8
Jefferson, Wis. ....	George Copeland, Leader.....	9
Wilmington, Ill. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Visiting Min....	12
Canton, Ill. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Visiting Min....	15
Joliet, Ill. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Visiting Min....	11
Wellsville, Mo. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Visiting Min....	45
Pittsfield, Ill. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Visiting Min....	20
Union City, Tenn. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Visiting Min....	28
Osage Co., Kan. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Visiting Min....	23
Isolated members .....		75
Total .....		906

Two ministers have been added to our list by ordination since last year's report. At the annual meeting of the Illinois Association in November Axel Lundeberg and Abraham Simons were ordained by authority of the Association. Mr Lundeberg has conducted a Swedish mission in the Humboldt Park Church, Chicago, during the summer and also preached in the same church several weeks during the pastor's vacation. In January he went to Minneapolis where he had ministered to a Unitarian congregation some years ago, and has since that time been usefully engaged in making known the doctrines of the New Church to his fellow countrymen in that city. He has also given several lectures there in English. It is hoped that his efforts will be seconded by the Board of Missions and that a permanent footing will be gained for the New Church in that important center.

Mr. Simons has for many years ministered to a group of colored people in the south part of Chicago and has responded to many invitations to preach to other than New-Church congregations. He was authorized as a preacher by Mr. Mercer several years ago and has persisted in his work ever since. He has organized a Society and a good deal of missionary work is being done among the colored people in one way and another. The several Chicago ministers have visited them occasionally.

The Kerwood parish, Chicago, is looking for a minister, as the Rev. John W. Stockwell has resigned the pastorate and will leave for the east the first of August.

The Rev. F. A. Gustafson, of the La Porte, Ind., Society, was stricken with paralysis early in April and is at least temporarily disabled from work. The Presiding Minister was called to take charge of the Easter services there.

The Rev. L. G. Landenberger, while still acting as the Missionary Pastor and visiting scattered groups of people all over the Association's wide territory, is extending his efforts more and more into a still wider field. By means of generous advertising he is finding hundreds of readers for the writings of Swedenborg and the literature of the New Church and seems to be accomplishing a great missionary use for the church. His mission in this way is reaching all over this country, and beyond it.

The Association has for several years past enjoyed a visit from the Rev. S. S. Seward, President of Convention, at its annual meetings. Mr. Seward's presence has always lent interest and helpfulness to the gatherings, and we have all felt grateful to him and the Convention for making it possible for him to attend.

The various societies of the Association remain in much the same condition as in late years past. The Chicago Society has built a commodious and well-equipped parish house for the Humboldt Park parish at a cost of \$13,000.

The General Convention is heartily welcomed to our western metropolis, and it is hoped that its deliberations will help and strengthen the church everywhere, and especially in our own midst where it has experienced its full share of trials and vicissitudes of late.

JOHN S. SAUL, *Presiding Minister.*

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#### KANSAS ASSOCIATION.

The Kansas Association of the New Jerusalem maintains its organization and work as usual. The annual meeting was held last October at Pretty Prairie, and was well attended by resident members. The local church, which had been without a pastor since Rev. F. L. Higgins went to Alabama, maintained Sunday School and League meetings every Sunday morning with undiminished interest under the leadership of D. E. Krehbiel and others, and the meeting of Association resulted in enlarge-

ment of their influence. Rev. L. G. Landenberger, just returned from abroad, assisted the President in conducting the two-days' sessions.

The Pretty Prairie Society has since been holding regular church services on the first Sunday of the month, conducted by the President of the Association, who comes from his home at Peabody. The services have been well attended by strangers, as well as our own people. There have been three baptisms of infants and on Easter three adults confirmed their adherence to the life of the New Jerusalem by uniting with the Society. Two marriage services have also been performed. The Society has been harmonious and united, and looks forward with hope and confidence.

Rev. B. P. Unruh has preached regularly at his home, Pawnee Rock, as has been his custom for several years. The service is in German, as also the Sunday School. Pastor Unruh has also preached elsewhere occasionally, and Rev. Jacob Schröeder has done missionary work among the Germans. There has been no general missionary visitation in Kansas, but the publication of a small monthly paper, the "Church of the New Jerusalem," is continued by the President, the State Association co-operating.

The membership of the Kansas Association, secured in most part by individual act in signing its constitution, is only 103, but there are many other persons, both English and German, who would be identified with it if there was more personal contact with the organization.

**GEORGE E. MORGAN, Presiding Minister.**

#### MAINE ASSOCIATION.

Societies	Pastor or Minister	Number Members
Bath .....	Rev. William F. Wunsch.....	32
Fryeburg .....	Rev. Baman N. Stone.....	61
Portland .....	.....	41
Total .....	.....	134

The Bath Society has enjoyed a year of quiet prosperity under the care of the Rev. William F. Wunsch who was installed into the pastoral office August 28, 1910, on the

occasion of the meeting of the Maine Association with this Society. Church services, Sunday School work, and week-day classes have been regularly carried on. At these last and at the evening services during Lent a number of strangers were present and expressed interest. The Society is in good condition, and the prospect of accessions from without is fair. One old member, Mr. Hatch, went into the other world last December.

The Fryeburg Society reports unusual loss and gain, both, in membership, four having been removed by death, and one by transfer, while eleven have been admitted, mostly young people of the Sunday School. There are no other facts of sufficient general interest to call for mention here.

The Rev. Everett K. Bray was obliged to close his very successful labors, as minister of the Portland Society, on the first of November last, and go to his former home in Florida, on account of the serious effect of our northern winters upon his health. He took with him the sympathy, high esteem, and warm affection of all his people, who deeply regretted the necessity for his departure. The pulpit has since been supplied, temporarily, for the most part, by Rev. Chauncey G. Hubbell and Professor Jacob E. Werren. But the Portland people earnestly desire a settled minister. With the right man in charge, the location of the new parish house and other favorable conditions give promise of a healthy, if not rapid growth in numbers and strength.

As the State Missionary, Mr. Bray did some special missionary work, in the summer of 1910, in Freeport, Westbrook, and about Portland. The church services were also continued through July, partially as missionary work.

Respectfully submitted,

BAMAN N. STONE, *President.*

#### MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.

Societies	Pastors, Ministers or Leaders	Number Members
Abington .....		42
Boston .....	Rev. James Reed, Pastor..... Rev. H. C. Hay, Associate Pastor.....	500
Bridgewater .....	Rev. George S. Wheeler, Pastor .....	141
Brockton .....	Rev. Paul Sperry, Pastor .....	175
Brookline .....		53
Cambridge .....	Rev. William L. Worcester, Minister.....	76

Contoocook, N. H. ....	16	
East Bridgewater .....	Rev. Clarence Lathbury, Pastor.....	51
Fall River .....	Rev. Warren Goddard, Pastor.....	40
Lancaster .....	.....	21
Manchester, N. H. ....	Christoph Rogler, Leader.....	51
Mansfield .....	Rev. C. W. Broomell, Minister.....	18
Newtonville .....	Rev. John Goddard, Pastor.....	117
	Rev. E. M. L. Gould, Associate Minister....	
Providence, R. I. ....	Rev. Hiram Vrooman, Pastor.....	130
Roxbury .....	Rev. C. W. Broomell, Minister.....	172
Salem .....	.....	8
Springfield .....	Rev. C. Edgar Ritter, Minister.....	17
Waltham .....	Benj. Worcester, Leader.....	48
Yarmouth .....	.....	18
Total .....	1694	

A number of ministers who are not in charge of societies reside within the confines of the Massachusetts Association. The Rev. Messrs. Charles Hardon, Stephen Jepson, H. W. Wright, D. Vinton Bowen, Gardner I. Ward, C. G. Hubbell and James Taylor are not in regular ministerial work, although Mr. Bowen was active in Cambridge until in February last the Rev. William L. Worcester removed from Philadelphia to the latter place to begin his work in the Theological School. Rev. Messrs. Ward and Hubbell have conducted Sabbath services more or less frequently during the year. Rev. J. E. Werren likewise has performed many Sunday services in addition to his duties as a teacher in the Theological School. Rev. L. F. Hite is in Europe on leave of absence from the Theological School. Rev. John Whitehead has had an active year as lecturer for the Missionary Board of the Association. The ministers meet in Boston every month to consult over matters of interest to the Church, to hear papers and keep in touch with each other. The attendance is about sixteen ministers with two or three students from the School.

Some changes have occurred during the year in the Societies. Rev. J. Paul Dresser has gone from Abington to take up work in New York. Rev. C. W. Harvey, after thirteen years of service in Brookline, has been called to the broader field in Philadelphia. Neither Abington nor Brookline has as yet a settled minister. Rev. E. M. L. Gould has been ordained and has become the Associate Minister of the Newtonville Society, where his work with the Young People's League has aroused a good interest. The membership in the New Bedford Mission has increased from fifteen to eighteen.

Lecture courses have been given in Boston, Newtonville, and Brockton. In Boston the Rev. H. C. Hay's Tuesday afternoon classes have completed their ninth season. The Missionary Board has had an active year providing for lectures in Boston, New Bedford, Worcester, Oak Bluffs, Salem and Lowell. These lectures have been advertised in the daily papers and in many instances very satisfactory reports were given in the papers, the lecturers making it a point to prepare abstracts for the use of the editors. Nearly \$5,250 has been spent during the year, about \$2,850 under the direction of the Missionary Board and about \$2,400 under the direction of the Pastoral Board. A course of lectures was given in Salem under the provision of the legacies of the Misses Ropes. Every effort was made to attract good audiences and an increasing interest was shown as the course progressed, the total attendance at eight lectures being 970.

The total attendance at all of the lectures given under the direction of the Missionary Board during the year was 4,566, the average 56.

The aim of the Missionary Board is to present to the public the truths of the Church in a way to appeal to the rationality of those who may be interested.

The Massachusetts New-Church Union has published, as a memorial of the late Rev. W. H. Mayhew, an edition of about 25,000 copies of his pamphlet, entitled "The Spiritual World and Our Entering It." The Union is considering enlarging the scope of its circulating library. The question of having the New-Church Rooms on Bowdoin street, near the Church, instead of at 16 Arlington street, is also being discussed. The New-Church Review showed a small deficit for the year but its usefulness is unquestioned.

The New-Church Club has enlarged its membership to 75 during the year and has continued its useful activities. The Lynn Neighborhood House has had an increasing attendance at its Sunday School. The Waltham New-Church School has had a good year. The number of girls among the students has been satisfactory, but a few more boys could be accommodated.

JAMES REED,

*General Pastor.*

JOHN DABOLL, *Secretary.*

## MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION..

Societies.	Pastors or Leaders.	No. Members.
Detroit.....	Rev. S. S. Seward.....	100
Almont.....	Dr. Wm. B. Hamilton.....	60
Grand Rapids*.....	George W. Thayer.....	12
Total Members.....		172

\*Not active.

The activities of the Michigan Association have been carried on as heretofore, with the exception of the differences occasioned by the absence of the Presiding Minister in attendance upon the International Congress last year.

In Detroit the usual services have been maintained, with an average attendance of 68. The Tuesday evening meetings have been held as usual, but with a larger attendance and greater satisfaction than perhaps heretofore. Five new members have been added to the Society. There has been one loss by death.

In the absence of the Presiding Minister, the Rev. E. D. Daniels, of Berlin, Canada, conducted the Almont Summer School, assisted by the Rev. Thomas A. King and the Rev. Herbert C. Small. The school was not quite as large as usual, but the instruction, attention, and whole spirit of the school was equal to the usual standard. Miss Edith Hamilton took charge of the children in attendance.

The Grand Rapids New-Church Association contributed this year the sum of \$1,200 to the uses of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

B. G. A. LAITNER, *Secretary.*

## MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.

Societies—	Ministers—	No. Members.
Washington, D. C. ....	Rev. Frank Sewall.....	131
Wilmington, Del. ....	Rev. George Henry Dole.....	59
Baltimore, Md. (German)....	Mr. Carl Lotz, Leader.....	53
Preston, Md. ....	Rev. John E. Smith, Miss'ry....	28
Easton, Md. ....	Rev. Wm. M. MacIntosh.....	8
Baltimore, Md. (English)....	Rev. Harold S. Conant.....	87
Richmond, Va., Mission.....	Rev. J. B. Spiers.....	42
Individual members .....		8
Total .....		411
Isolated Believers and Readers, estimated.....		135

Note—If we estimate the entire baptized body, including child-

ren, and estimating one additional to every member enrolled, we would have on a membership basis a New-Church constituency of 822.

At the annual meeting of the Maryland Association held in Baltimore with the Calvert Street Society, the Society reports showed an increase in total membership compared with last year of 6.

The treasurer reported total receipts amounting to \$1127.71 and expenditures amounting to \$986.74.

The clergy roll remains unchanged. The reports of Societies showed the regular continuance of the usual services and other activities. An interesting feature of the meeting was the account given by Justice Job Barnard, of Washington, and by the General Pastor, of the International Swedenborg Congress held in London in July last; and the description by Mr. C. A. E. Spamer and Mr. Teijiro Abiko, of Tokio, Japan, the publisher of the first translation of "Heaven and Hell" into the Japanese language—of the foothold for a New-Church movement in Japan.

The monthly visits of the missionary, the Rev. John E. Smith, are maintained at Preston and Williston, the Maryland Association paying the traveling expenses of the missionary and the circles visited sending their contributions directly to the Pennsylvania Association, who is responsible for the missionary's salary.

By the joint action of the Maryland Board of Missions and that of the General Convention at a meeting held in New York in May, 1910, the entire responsibility and support of the Southern Mission field including what has been known as the "Richmond Mission" was turned over to the Convention's Board of Missions.

The New Church in Virginia has from the first origin of the New Church in America been closely associated with that of Baltimore and of Washington and the Richmond Mission originated in the Maryland Association twenty-one years ago. It has been sustained by and has reported directly to the Maryland Association during that period. But the missionary's field being, by the Convention's appointment and added support, extended so as to embrace the entire Southern States, it was deemed best to regard it as under the auspices of the Convention's board to which the missionary should hereafter report; and that the Maryland Association should thereby be enabled to devote its mission fund to the extension of the Church within its more immediate bounds. The enrolled members

of the Richmond Mission and those elsewhere in Virginia and West Virginia will still be included in the Maryland Association and the Missionary Pastor will retain his place in the roll of the clergy of the Maryland Association.

The National Church lecture course at Washington has occupied the nineteen Sunday night services during the winter from Advent to Easter and has included besides the lectures of the Pastor those of the Rev. Messrs. Smyth, Spiers, Dole, Allbutt and Conant.

At the annual meeting of the Washington Society of the New Jerusalem, the following Preamble and Resolution was unanimously adopted, and the secretary was directed to report the action of the Society to the Maryland Association with the request that the Resolution be made a part of the Maryland Association report to the annual meeting of the General Convention this year:

*"Whereas,* The General Convention of the New Jerusalem of the United States of America, at its meeting here in 1889, appointed a committee of fifteen to take charge of the building of a house of worship in this city, and authorized such committee to raise funds for the object, to act as trustees of the property in the name of the Convention, and to fill vacancies in their number in conference with and with the approval of the President and Secretaries of the Convention;

*And Whereas,* This Society contributed to said committee all of its own building funds, in the full expectancy of having the use of a house of worship, with Sunday School and other working rooms complete;

*And Whereas,* The Convention approved of plans embracing all the said rooms, but the said Committee, for want of the necessary funds to build the whole structure on the plans so approved, constructed the main portion of the edifice, and the same was dedicated in 1896, and fifteen years have since passed without this Society having the use of any such Sunday School and working rooms;

*And Whereas,* This Society has now accumulated a fund, which added to the fund held by said committee, available for completion of said house of worship, will reach approximately seven thousand dollars;

*Therefore, Be It Resolved,* That in the judgment of this Society the time has come when the Convention should be requested and urged to require said committee to complete the said undertaking by erecting at once the Sunday

School and other rooms, according to the original plans, or such modified plans as the said Convention may decide to be sufficient and satisfactory.

GEO. PAUSCH, *Secretary.*

### NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.

Societies	Pastors or Leaders	Number Members
Brooklyn .....	Rev. Arthur Mercer, Pastor.....	*144
Brooklyn (German 1)	Rev. William Diehl, Pastor.....	30
Brooklyn (German 2)	F. H. Muhlert, Preacher.....	23
Buffalo .....		43
Hoboken .....		
New York .....	Rev. Julian K. Smyth, Pastor..... Rev. J. Paul Dresser, Asso. Minister...	232
New York (German) ..	Rev. Wm. H. Schliffer, Pastor.....	80
Orange, N. J. ....	Rev. Adolph Roeder, Pastor.....	57
Paterson, N. J. ....	J. D. Blauvelt, Leader.....	24
Riverhead .....	Rev. Wm. H. Schliffer, Minister.....	12
Total .....		595

In addition to the ministers in charge of Societies as indicated above, the Association also reports the Rev. H. F. von K. Crownfield, who is incapacitated by illness, and the Rev. Albert Bjorck, who resides in New York City, and who officiates as opportunity allows.

The ministerial force of the Association has been augmented by the accession of the Rev. J. Paul Dresser, who was secured by the New York Society to take full charge of its mission and settlement work, carried on in what is known as "Kennedy House," on West 43rd Street. Mr. Dresser entered upon his new duties October 1st and the indications are wholly favorable to a useful development of this interesting field of labor. A chapel and Sunday School are maintained, as well as various classes and clubs meeting during the week devoted to the welfare of a large number of little children and to boys and girls of various ages. At its last annual meeting the New York Society appointed Mr. Dresser as associate minister.

On February 5th the Brooklyn Society elected the Rev. Arthur Mercer to succeed himself as Pastor, his two years' engagement having expired.

The work among the isolated receivers in the Association has been carried on by the Rev. W. H. Schliffer with

\*The apparent decrease in membership is due to the fact that last year the number of communicants was reported.

considerable zeal. Various groups of persons interested in the heavenly doctrines are corresponded with, their co-operation is asked in distributing appropriate literature which is provided, and they are encouraged to become active centers of usefulness.

The Rev. John Whitehead, of Waltham, Mass., delivered a most admirable lecture before the Philalelian Society of New York, December 8th on "Swedenborg's Contribution to a Knowledge of the Spiritual World."

The Association regrets to report the resignation of the Rev. Thomas French, Jr., as Pastor of the Buffalo Society. Dr. French has not only served the Buffalo Society faithfully and well, but he has served it at much personal sacrifice. It is largely due to his devotedness that so many in the Church at large have interested themselves in the Church movement at Buffalo, and have assisted the Society to reduce its mortgage debt upon its property from \$10,000 to \$4,600. Dr. French, with the assistance of the Association, has been able to extend his services to Ithaca, delivering a number of lectures, which have been well attended, and addressing the Ithaca Reading Circle, which has been formed and which meets regularly.

The New York Association, on the advice of the committee of lawyers appointed to consider the best method of permanently securing the Buffalo church property for church uses, has given its assent to the transfer of the title to the New York Association, and the trustees of the Buffalo Society are taking the necessary legal steps to carry this into effect.

JULIAN K. SMYTH, *Presiding Minister.*

#### OHIO ASSOCIATION.

Cincinnati.....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.....	304
Lakewood.....	Rev. Thomas A. King.....	105
Cleveland.....	Rev. John R. Hunter.....	88
Urbana.....	Rev. Russell Eaton.....	43
Glendale.....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.....	19
Indianapolis.....	Rev. Herbert C. Small.....	38
Toledo.....	Rev. Chas. S. Mack.....	31
Columbus.....	Rev. Russell Eaton.....	15
Louisville.....	Rev. Herbert C. Small.....	15
Dayton.....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.....	11
Individual Members .....		81

No changes have taken place in this Association during the past year. All our societies report steady and earnest work. An effort has been made to reach the stranger through the lecture. In several of our societies some of the addresses before the Congress in London were delivered to attentive audiences, in which many outsiders were present. The Rev. Mr. King still continues to gather in new members. Wherever he finds an interest awakened he keeps it alive and stimulates it by frequent visitation until, if possible, the old has given place to the new. The Sunday School in the Cleveland Society is attended by many children of parents not belonging to the Church and already it appears to be advisable to enlarge the schoolroom to accommodate them adequately.

The Society in Columbus still holds its weekly gatherings, and is considerably strengthened by the visit to Urbana at Easter. The circles in Dayton and Louisville are visited once a month, and some effort made to teach the children there the doctrines of the Church. Mention might also be made of the work done in Urbana by the School and Church there. Together they help to bring many of our young people into the knowledge of the particulars of our doctrines more fully than is generally possible in our city churches where little or no week day instruction in the doctrines is possible unless given in the homes. Our School at Urbana ought therefore to be considered by New-Church parents who desire their children to have a good education that will fit them not only for the world, but help them also in the regenerate life.

The Revs. H. H. Grant and Abraham Knobel remain on our list of ministers, though not in active ministerial work.

LOUIS G. HOECK, *General Pastor.*

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#### PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.

Societies	Ministers	Number Members
Fishing Creek Valley .....	Rev. George Wenzel.....	8
Frankford .....	Rev. John W. MacPherson.....	72
Lancaster .....	Rev. John E. Smith.....	13
Montgomery's Ferry .....	Rev. John E. Smith.....	21
Philadelphia .....	Rev. Charles W. Harvey.....	457
Pittsburgh.....	Rev. John R. Stephenson.....	61
Vineland, N. J. .....	Rev. John E. Smith.....	30
<b>Total .....</b>		<b>662</b>

Reference was made in last year's report to the hope then existing that arrangements might be made to extend and improve the work in our missionary field. It now seems as if this hope were on the verge of realization, as the Association has secured the services of the Rev. John W. MacPherson, at present the Pastor of the Frankford Society, as an additional missionary, such services to begin in the early fall. It is expected that an arrangement will be made with the Maryland Association whereby the Rev. John E. Smith will give a larger share of his time to the work on the eastern shore of Maryland, and that not only will the circles within the limits of the Pennsylvania Association be better cared for than at present, but that there will be opportunity to look after the scattered groups of interested people in new fields.

The resignation of the Rev. William L. Worcester as Pastor of the Philadelphia Society and his removal to Cambridge made it necessary for the Association to elect a new President, which office Mr. Worcester had held for many years. The Rev. J. W. MacPherson was elected to this office.

The Philadelphia Society accepted Mr. Worcester's resignation with extreme reluctance, but with the feeling that his careful study of the situation at Cambridge had made him the best judge as to the need of the Theological School at this time, and with an earnest determination to co-operate with his successor in the pastorate. The question of the successor was one which called for careful thought, but in December a unanimous call was extended to the Rev. Charles W. Harvey, of Brookline, to become the Pastor of the Philadelphia Society. This call was accepted and Mr. Harvey entered upon his new duties immediately after Easter. On Sunday, May 14th, he was formally installed in the pastorate, the Rev. Julian K. Smyth, of New York, officiating in a most impressive service.

An interesting phase of the work in Philadelphia has been a series of five Sunday evening lectures, at intervals of four weeks, on the general subject, "Emanuel Swedenborg and the New Church." These lectures were delivered by the Rev. Messrs. Dole, Worcester, Sewall, Wheeler and Harvey, and were of unusual interest and weight. An especial effort was made to advertise them in a way to bring them to the attention of the public, and the attendance of strangers was very gratifying. Steps are being taken looking to an inquiry by the Philadelphia Society into the question of effective advertising methods, and it

is intended to bring the Church and its services and teachings more prominently before the public eye.

A new line of work taken up by the Association during the past year has been that of the Bureau of Correspondence. Those in charge of this work have proceeded slowly, their immediate aim being to gather together names of persons somewhat interested in the truths the Church with a view of initiating a correspondence with these which shall result in further inquiry and a strengthening of their interest. The work has much of promise in it, and if faithfully carried forward must prove beneficial. In this work the services of the Rev. Robert S. Fischer, the Agent of the Tract Society at Philadelphia, have been most useful.

The Rev. Adam B. Dolly, who was for some years one of the Association's missionaries, continues to reside at Horton, W. Va., but is in quite feeble health.

JOHN W. MACPHERSON, *President.*

EZRA HYDE ALDEN, *Secretary.*

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#### BALLSTON, OREGON, SOCIETY.

Noticing in the New-Church Messenger a call for reports to Convention, I thought it might be well for the Board of Home Missions to know of our existence.

We have a small Society here. There are four of us and we conduct a Sunday School with an attendance ranging from 6 to 20. Our Sunday School was organized four years ago.

This winter we have a League and study and discuss the brief readings of "Heaven and Hell." We find them very interesting and the members are much interested.

One of our number owns the Church building and another has furnished the same, so we are very well provided for in that way. If we could only have a minister to come and preach for us once or twice during the month. We are only 50 miles from Portland with two trains per day and could arrange with the Portland pastor if only they had one. It seems too bad when there are so many fields and so few to labor in them.

We have never had a New-Church minister here since Mr. David (now of San Francisco) was missionary of this state. One of our number has never heard a New-Church minister.

We do hope if a missionary comes to this coast it can be arranged for him to come here. We were so unfortunate as not to hear those who have come and would have been glad to have attended the services in Portland had we known about them.

We are glad and thankful that we have our Sunday School and League, but we are hungry for the preaching.

Very truly yours,

MRS. NANCY TILLERY.

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#### TEXAS SOCIETY.

The work of this Society has been confined to an effort to locate all New-Church people in the state and print a booklet containing their addresses. To this end a circular letter has been addressed to all whose addresses are known with a view of correcting errors and getting the names of others. About 215 letters were sent out in May with a booklet containing the names and addresses of those whose names were obtained from former lists and from some new names given the Secretary by Rev. C. W. Broomell on his late visit to the state. The circular letter was prepared under the direction of Mr. Broomell, which requested assistance in correcting the booklet and asking for an expression from each as to what each could do in the way of assisting the board in maintaining a minister in the Texas field.

I have received some 25 replies, many showing a deep interest in the work and promising all the way from \$3 to \$60 per annum towards the work.

These letters are very interesting, breathing an earnest desire to have a minister. Many have never heard a New-Church minister and others are former members of Societies in the North and East from which they have been parted many years.

Much information has been given and many changes have been made in the booklet and when I shall have had time to hear from all the Society will republish the booklet and remail to each member. Through the Rev. C. W. Broomell the Board of Home and Foreign Missions are in possession of the above facts and further developments will be reported to them.

The visit of the Rev. Broomell in April and May was a great delight to all our people and much literature was distributed through his efforts. Both the man and the doc-

trines were cordially received and the good seed sown will no doubt bear much fruit.

Respectfully,

MASON MANEY, *Secretary.*

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#### **WASHINGTON STATE ASSOCIATION.**

During the year the Rev. Jacob Kimm administered the Lord's Supper to seven communicants. From a stroke of apoplexy received some six years ago he is still unable to preach. The Rev. Wm. P. Harthill has maintained a regular service near Tekoa most of the year, held regular service at Pine City, also being the superintendent and Bible class teacher of the Sunday School. (There are always from 12 to 20 small children in the junior classes, besides several of the senior classes.) Officiated at one marriage, conducted three funerals and assisted at two others, administered the Lord's Supper twice to seven or eight communicants each time.

The work is moving slowly on. Mrs. Blanche Higbee is doing good work in her Sunday School near Tekoa, working in harmony with the International Sunday School Association.

With best wishes from your co-workers in the Lord's New Church.

JACOB KIMM, *President.*

WM. P. HARTHILL, *Secretary pro tem.*

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#### **CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION.**

The Connecticut Association has held quarterly meetings in New Haven during the past year. The Rev. Samuel Worcester, President of the Association, has preached for us.

The League meeting is held after luncheon.

##### **LIST OF OFFICERS.**

President .....	Rev. Samuel Worcester
Treasurer .....	Mr. Geo. W. Bancroft
Secretary .....	Mrs. C. E. Rounds

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. C. G. K. Vinal ..... Mr. C. E. Rounds  
Mrs. H. J. Blakeman

Our members are so widely scattered through the state, it is not, at present, possible for us to be active in any combined effort of usefulness. The meetings are as well attended as could be expected and are looked upon by all as a source of spiritual help and uplift.

HELEN T. ROUNDS, *Secretary.*

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## JACKSONVILLE, FLA., SOCIETY.

The Jacksonville New-Church Society still continues holding meetings every Sunday in the same order and at the same place, Riverside Kindergarten.

Divine Providence was the work chosen for this year's reading and has been almost completed, while those present have shown much interest.

Mr. Spiers spent two Sundays in November and two in March here, Mr. E. K. Bray, of Tampa, accompanying him on the last Sunday.

During the visits services were held morning and evening, at which Mr. Spiers preached, with the exception of the last morning service when Mr. Bray preached.

The Holy Communion was administered on the last Sunday of each visit and the attendance has been very good.

Seventeen visitors have met with the Society during the year and seemed to enjoy the services and expressed pleasure in finding a Society in Jacksonville.

Mr. Spiers is expected again in June for two more Sundays which will end the work of the Society this year.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA E. WARRINER.

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## DENVER SOCIETY.

During the past year, with the exception of July and August, the usual activities of the Church have been maintained. The Ladies' Aid Society has done excellent work, sewing monthly for needy persons and the "Neighborhood House" of Denver. The Young People's League has met

Sunday afternoons to study "Heaven and Hell." By June first the reading of this work will be completed. The explanations of Rev. Howard C. Dunham have made these reading meetings very interesting.

Pleasant social gatherings for the members of the congregation have been given alternate months by the Ladies' Aid Society and Young People's League. A very enjoyable Christmas party was held December twenty-eighth at the home of Mrs. Albert Leach. Sixty-three were in attendance. The baptism of a baby boy accentuated the Christmas feeling.

By order of the Society a committee has revised the list of members. Number of members, according to revision, 31.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. WEST, *Secretary.*

**Reports of General Pastors.***Report of the Rev. John Faulkner Potts.*

As the California Association has recently held with great success its fourth Annual Meeting I have resigned the General Pastorate of that Association, for the reason that I am too far away to permanently discharge the duties of the office, and it is very desirable that the Association in question should have a General Pastor who is resident in California.

*Report of the Rev. John Goddard.*

I have nothing to report beyond the fact of assisting the Rev. James Reed at the ordination of the Rev. E. M. L. Gould at Cambridge, Mass., June 9, 1910.

*Report of the Rev. Frank Sewall.*

I have presided at the regular meetings of the Maryland Association during the past year and attended at the called meetings of the General Pastors of the General Convention.

*Report of the Rev. William L. Worcester.*

During the year I have performed no acts in the capacity of General Pastor beyond presiding at meetings of the Pennsylvania Association and its Council and exercising an oversight over the work of the Association. April 14 I ceased to be Presiding Minister of an Association and became inactive so far as the special powers of a General Pastor are concerned.

*Report of the Rev. James Reed.*

On June 9, 1910, I ordained Edwin Miner Lawrence Gould into the ministry of the New Church. I have also

renewed the authorization to preach of Benjamin Worcester, Horace H. Werren and Rodney D. Book. My other official duties have chiefly consisted in the oversight of the Massachusetts Association in presiding at its meetings and at the meetings of several of its committees and boards.

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*Report of the Rev. John S. Saul.*

On November 6th, 1910, at La Porte, Indiana, before the Illinois Association in annual meeting assembled, and with the sanction and authority of the same, I ordained into the ministry of the New Church Axel Lundeberg and Abraham Simons, the Rev. S. S. Seward assisting. Mr. Lundeberg had previously preached and lectured in Chicago under authorization from me as a candidate during the summer of 1910, the authorization being dated June 16, 1910. Mr. Simons has for some years had charge of a mission of colored people, having at one time been authorized as a preacher by the Presiding Minister of the Illinois Association. On June 10, 1910 I gave authorization to William M. Martin, of Solon, Iowa, as a candidate for the ministry.

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*Report of the Rev. S. S. Seward.*

On July 31st, at the request of the Rev. Adolph Roeder, President of the German Synod, I renewed the authorization of John H. Enns, of Rosenort, Manitoba, for one year.

On June 10th, I renewed the authorization of T. Mower Martin, of Toronto, Canada, for a like period.

I have also, at the request of the Ohio and Illinois Associations, attended their annual meetings; the first at Urbana, Ohio, in October, and the second at La Porte, Indiana, in November.

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*Report of the Rev. Julian K. Smyth.*

On February 10, 1911, I renewed the authorization to preach of Ferdinand Muhlert, who is serving the Brooklyn German Society (2d).

In Philadelphia, Pa., on Sunday, May 14th, at the request of the First New Jerusalem Society of Philadelphia,

I installed into the pastorate of that Society the Rev. Charles W. Harvey.

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*Report of the Rev. Louis. G. Hoeck.*

I have no official acts to report for last year save that of presiding at the regular meeting of the Ohio Association at Urbana.

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**Reports of Ministers.**

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*Report of the Rev. Charles Louis Carriere, St. Louis, Mo.*

I herewith report that I am still at work, serving the Third Church of the New Jerusalem in St. Louis, Mo., as its pastor. We had regular worship throughout the year, except the months of July and August. I have baptized seven children, confirmed two young presons, solemnized five marriages and officiated at eight funerals.

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*Report of the Rev. O. L. Barler, Beatrice, Neb.*

Conforming to requirements, that all ministers shall report to the General Convention annually, the writer has to say he has performed no public services during the past year, save to contribute a paper to aid the Lenox (Iowa) New-Church Society, in their Christmas festival. The letter of censure from the Council of Ministers seemed forbidding. I had, with no ill will to any one, protested against some things that were being done among us.

One other little thing I have done, which is proper that you should know, is this: I chanced to have a few copies on hand of a type written paper entitled, "Words For My Friends." These I mailed to leading ministers of Convention, lest they forget. There were not enough of the papers to send to all the ministers.

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*Report of the Rev. Eli W. Shields, Hot Springs, Ark.*

My report to the Convention is not as good as I would like it, but owing to the fact that I receive no compensation and that my work here is almost entirely amongst those who are strangers to me and to the Heavenly Doctrines, it has to be voluntary and gratuitous on my part.

I have married three couples, baptized two adults and officiated at five funerals. Distributed about 50 copies of Heaven and Hell, 30 copies of Divine Providence, and 500

to 700 Helpers, tracts, sermons and small booklets and kept open a free library of New-Church literature the whole year, where about three thousand persons have read more or less of the New-Church writings, besides sending by mail about 50 booklets upon request. I have recently obtained a place in the central part of the city for my library, free reading room and to preach two sermons every Sunday. See Messenger of May 3rd.

I feel highly encouraged by the increasing attendance and profound interest manifested at the services in the new location. Hoping that the Convention may do something to quash the present contention between it and the Academy branch, I am a servant of the Lord. Was 71 years old yesterday.

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*Report of the Rev. G. J. Fercken, D. D., Mauritius Island.*

The Church of the New Jerusalem in Mauritius is still quietly at work.

My report shall be brief this time, as nothing of especial interest has taken place during the year.

I have officiated at five baptisms, one marriage and two burials. The Lord's Supper was administered nine times in the two churches, and five were received in full membership.

Hoping you will have a pleasant, useful session, I earnestly pray for your success in furthering the uses of the Church.

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*Report of the Rev. F. L. Higgins, Fairhope, Ala.*

Since my last year's report services have been held here every Sunday, except one very stormy one. They were held in the forenoon until the first Sunday in July, at which time I began working under the auspices of the New-Church Board of Missions. Then the services were changed from private homes to the new school auditorium and held in the afternoon, with a much better attendance of strangers.

Mid-week evening meetings for Doctrinal study were held for a time at Mrs. Townes, where at one of these meetings three male adults were baptized, who although for some years previous receivers, had not before had the opportunity to receive this Sacrament. The Holy Supper has been administered four times.

In Mobile, across the bay, are a few New-Church people and others becoming interested, on whom I call from time to time, and expect soon to begin to hold evening parlor services there in the home of the devoted New-Church lady, Baroness E. A. de Riviere, 503 Spring Hill Avenue.

I procured, at his request, a set of the "gift books" for a young Methodist minister, who comes two Sundays a month to Fairhope to preach, but whose address is Daphne, Ala., eight miles from Fairhope. I have found that one of the leading business men in Daphne had some years ago read with great interest "Heaven and Hell." He purchased a new copy of "Heaven and Hell" of me and says he is much interested in the New-Church Doctrines.

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*Report of the Rev. Samuel Worcester, South Norwalk, Conn.*

I wish to make report of the ministerial work done by me during the past year. Although I am a member of the Connecticut Association and its President, the office does not necessarily carry with it any recognition of my status as a minister of the Church, nor is any work that I may do reported through the Association, except when I am called upon from time to time to conduct its services. During the past year I have preached twice for the Association and administered the Holy Supper each time. I have also conducted two funerals, one being that of Mr. Francis A. Leavitt, of Portland, Maine, where I was formerly Pastor, and the other that of my cousin, Charles S. Doughty, of Ramapo, N. J., he being a son of Mr. Frank W. Doughty. I have preached once for the Society in Portland, Maine.

Most of my time is taken up with secular work as I am connected as Associate Superintendent with a Sanitarium in South Norwalk, Conn., but I do such ministerial work as I am called upon and have the opportunity to do.

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*Report of the Rev. Charles H. Mann.*

I have not been associated with any general body of the Church for about three years. For nearly two years of this time I have been in California. I did not engage in any regular work, but incidentally I delivered lectures or preached in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Redlands and San Diego, of that state. Since June of last year I have been at the east and have lectured and preached in Chicago

and Springfield, Ill., in Brooklyn, N. Y., at Bailey Island, Maine, and in Abington, Brockton and Fall River, Mass. Just now (May) I am delivering a course of eight lectures in the Assembly Rooms of the Woman's Municipal League of New York. I am doing this on the invitation of a group of men who were moved to arrange for these meetings through the representations of one of their number who was associated with me in my work in Elkhart, Ind. I do not again expect to take pastoral charge of any society, but am prepared to lecture and preach on some of the great, fundamental principles of the doctrines of the Church as interpreted in the light of today's methods of thought, and as applied to today's conditions.

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*Report of the Rev. Axel Lundeberg, Minneapolis, Minn..*

Beginning May 8, 1910, I have delivered lectures on Emanuel Swedenborg and the doctrines of the New Church in the Swedish language in the Humboldt Park Parish Church in Chicago every Sunday night during the months of May, June, July, August, September and one Sunday in October, delivering altogether 22 lectures. My audiences varied from 19 to 60 each time. Several hundred New-Church pamphlets were distributed, some in Swedish, most of them in English. There was no attempt made at an organization, for the reason that the Swedes in Chicago live scattered all over that big city, and it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to get a location there, central enough to be within convenient reach of any number of them large enough to form a congregation.

I also preached in English and conducted services in the Humboldt Park Parish Church on seven Sundays during the absence of the regular minister, Rev. A. B. Francisco.

November 6, 1910, I was ordained into the Ministry of the New Church at the meeting of the Illinois Association at LaPorte, Ind.

In February, 1911, I went to Minneapolis, Minn., for the purpose of speaking, lecturing and preaching the New-Church doctrines to the Swedes. I secured a good location, near the Swedish settlements, viz., the Pillsbury House Auditorium, and gave my first lecture on Swedenborg, February 12. Since then I have spoken at the same place every Sunday night. My audiences have varied from 9 to 250 each time. I have distributed quite a number of free pamphlets, and also sold several copies of *Heaven and*

Hell, The Last Judgment, The Doctrine of the Lord, and other smaller pamphlets both in Swedish and English. I also have advertised Heaven and Hell in two Swedish papers, which has resulted in about forty sales. My lectures have been advertised in the Swedish papers here every week and what I said reported in the English dailies. This has attracted attention to my lectures and my presence here as a New-Church Minister, and caused many inquiries for the doctrines.

February 23 I delivered a lecture on Swedenborg as a scientist, a philosopher and a theologian before the Liberal Society of the University of Minnesota in the Library Building at the University and had a large and interested audience. After the lecture many of the students and also several ladies kept me busy for about an hour answering questions, and the wish was expressed that I deliver more lectures in English.

It has been impossible for me to prosecute my missionary work as energetically and effectively as I should have wished, for the reason that I have done this work at my own expense ever since it began a year ago, and consequently have to spend the day in making the money that is needed for paying the running expenses. Consequently it has been almost impossible for me to make many calls on the people in their homes, which, however, is so essential for the success of all missionary efforts.

Still the outlook for the future is promising, and if I can get some financial assistance, so as to be able to continue, I believe it possible to start a movement here, which in due time will be self-supporting. But it takes hard and faithful work and kindly co-operation of those who are willing and able to help the work along, and above all the blessing of the Lord, without which all human efforts would be in vain.

For further particulars I refer to the reports which from time to time have appeared in the New-Church Messenger.

I also wish to mention that I have officiated at one funeral for which purpose I translated the New-Church ritual into Swedish.

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*Report of the Rev. Jos. E. Collom, Los Angeles, California.*

Since my removal from the pastorate over two years ago, the Lord in His good providence has given me the enjoyable use of printing. For this I am deeply grateful, and am sincerely endeavoring to live the life of humility, jus-

tice and good will in my business. The Heavenly Doctrines are an unfailing spring of wholesome counsel and sweet satisfaction in my daily toil.

Besides this ministry of daily toil at the case and the press, I have weekly opportunities of reflecting some rays of light from Him who is "the Light of the Holy City." Each Sunday evening for nearly a year I opened the inner truths of the Word to a small company of Christian people in a mission. Being a member of the First Christian Church here, whose enrolled membership is over a thousand, I have very inviting and precious opportunities to teach the doctrines that are so dear to every disciple of the New Jerusalem. Our Business Men's Bible Class have shown deep interest in the expositions the Lord has given me to present. Last week I was permitted to outline before a goodly number of our members the central doctrine of the New Church—that of our Lord God, the Saviour, Who came into the world by means of a human nature called his Son, which He glorified and made one with Himself; Father and Son thus constituting one Person. One brother objected to the teaching, saying, that in his mind Father, Son and Holy Spirit were three distinct individual persons, whose unity consists in their agreement of purpose. I have since written him a letter containing the passages that show that besides Jehovah God, the Creator and Father of all, there is no other Redeemer and Saviour, and that He promised that He Himself would come to dwell among men by means of a Son, the Anointed, who should be called by His own names, as; "our God," "Mighty God," "God with us," "Jehovah," "Jehovah our Righteousness," "Everlasting Father," etc.

It is my purpose to continue in this brotherly contention for the true Christian faith now mercifully provided in the writings of the Lord's servant and seer, Emanuel Swedenborg.

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*Report of the Rev. W. A. L. Campbell, Galveston, Texas.*

I report one marriage and the christening of two children this convention year.

Nearly every Sunday I have preached. I am becoming more and more impressed that the indirect worship of God, by approaching the Father being based on Steven's vision, Acts 7:56, and other passages in the Apostolic Word and the Gospels, at the baptism of the Lord, works good to the simple in mind and makes the externals of the church.

I hope your session will prove useful and profitable.

*Report of the Rev. G. G. Daniel, Selma, Ala.*

Grace, mercy and peace from the Lord Jesus Christ, who is God over all blessed for ever!

Although many, many miles away from you in this south land, my heart is united to yours in the great cause of the dissemination of the Truths of the Lord's Second Coming.

Engaged as Professor in French and Latin, Pedagogics, Mental and Moral Philosophy as well as being Chaplain to Payne University, an institution under the auspices of the African M. E. Church, I have been able under Divine Guidance to do a great work in the spreading of the Heavenly Truths. I have preached in all the denominational churches here with great acceptance. At a Convention of the District Conference of African Methodist Ministers here two weeks ago, I was asked to preach the Missionary sermon. I took for a text the passage from John 4:28, "The woman then left her water pot, and went her way into the city, and saith to the men, Come see a man, etc." My theme was "Leaving the waterpot, or Woman's Message to the World." By means of correspondence I was able to bring home to the hearts of the crowded audience the message of the New Church and for the few days I remained at Vilula, Ala., I met many who told me: "Dr. I have left that old waterpot." The ministers of the convention there and then endorsed An Educated Ministry, saying that I had solved the problem "that it was possible for an educated minister to preach the gospel with a simplicity that the most ignorant in learning could appreciate." The Science of Correspondences, the Golden Key to the Scriptures, had done it.

The A. M. E. Church will not give me up. It has conferred a Doctorate in Divinity upon me, and in keeping me close to her she is nursing the New Church. I am able to speak the truths of the New Church from the letter of Holy Scripture, and no man but wonders at these truths. One minister who has heard me preach from the "story of the waterpot," said to me: "Brother, how is it that I did not see that waterpot business before, and yet I have preached so many, many times from this story?" I said to him: "You must do as the disciples did in the cornfields. Rub off first and then eat. 'The letter killeth, but the spirit quickeneth.'"

Brethren, pray for me that I may be a faithful missionary of these New Truths, and that the Lord may give me the

"open door and effectual" for their dissemination. God bless you in your august session! May your journey over another milestone of history redound to the praise and glory of Him, who is the Great Illuminator of our pathway!

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*Report of the Rev. Jacob Schroeder, Larned, Kan.*

Since my ordination, July 18, 1909, I have visited and preached in small towns in Canada as follows: Neapolis, (not far from Dodsbury) five times; Waldeck, three times; Herbert, seven times; Chaplin, four times; Rosenort, eight times. I have baptized seven children and two young men, confirmed eleven young people, and administered the Holy Supper to about thirty-eight.

I also preached at various other places during 1909, seven times, baptized three persons and administered the Holy Supper to about twenty persons.

During 1910 and up to May 1, 1911, I preached in Newton, four times; Durham, three times; Galva, twice and in various other places in Kansas, eighteen times and in Northwestern Canada from May 1, to June 7, sixteen times, baptizing five persons and administering the Holy Supper to nine.

From October, 1909, to June, 1911, I have preached eighty-two times and baptized and confirmed twenty-eight.

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*Report of T. Mower Martin, Licensed Candidate.*

By direction of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions I started at the beginning of July last, for a mission tour through the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, calling at many towns and villages where New-Church people resided. Lectured, preached and addressed Sunday Schools, as reported in detail to the Mission Board and to the last annual meeting of the Canada Association, with lists of the people, their situations and needs, in the various localities.

I then crossed over to Seattle, Wash., collected the scattered New-Church people there, and organized them into a Society, passing on to Portland, Oregon, and thence to Hood River, where I closed my work for the Mission Board at the end of October as reported to the Board.

Thence I was recalled by unanimous vote of Seattle So-

ciety to take charge as minister of the Society, which I agreed to do for three months, and should have stayed longer but was telegraphed for to return home, as my wife was on her death bed. From exposure to cold and the sudden change to the severe weather of Canada in February I caught a severe chill, from which, and its accompanying ills, I am only now recovering; but hope to do some more lecturing in the good cause as opportunity may arise.

**Addresses.****ADDRESS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM IN THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM THE GENERAL CONFERENCE  
OF THE NEW CHURCH IN GREAT BRITAIN.****DEAR BRETHREN :**

It is with great pleasure I pen these words of greeting to those who are bound to us by invisible, but none the less real and indissoluble bonds,—the bonds of love to our one Lord and Master, and of faith in the Gospel of His Second Advent. We enjoy a common heritage. We are engaged in the same work. We experience similar difficulties and similar joys in its successful fulfilment. We are dependent upon the same Divine Care. And we shall find in co-operation mutual encouragement and strength.

Whilst your Convention and our Conference will not, this year, be sitting contemporaneously, and thus an exchange of telegraphic greetings will be impracticable, neither are the meetings sufficiently removed from each other to permit of representatives from either being present at both—a desirable end to be kept in view. Your Convention is to assemble at Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday, June 10, our Conference, at Glasgow, on Monday, June 26. Were our respective meetings at least four weeks apart it would be possible for messengers bearing our Address to be present at your Convention and to return in time to be present at our Conference, and for representatives bearing your greetings to accompany them. Such a personal interchange of greetings, if it could be annually effected, would bring Convention and the Conference into closer and more real touch. I am assured such beneficial results would accrue as would more than justify the effort and the expense.

Such evidence of this is afforded by our experiences of last year. It was with delight we accorded, last June, at our Conference at Failsworth, a cordial welcome to your officially appointed Representatives—Rev. Julian K. Smyth, Hon. Job Barnard and Mr. William McGeorge, Jr.—when your Address was read by your Vice President. Their presence, and that of Prof. J. E. Werren, and Mr. Manning, of California, added not a little to the pleasure and profit of our business sessions and social gatherings.

They will probably report their impressions. With us have been left very glad and fragrant memories.

But the experiences of our Conference were altogether eclipsed by the magnificent Swedenborg Congress, held in London in July. Here we met with a large number of the Ministers, Officers and Members of Convention, and in addition to the pleasures of social intercourse listened with much delight and appreciation to the papers and speeches of your President, Rev. S. S. Seward; your Vice President, Hon. Job Barnard; the revered and honored Rev. Jas. Reed, of Boston; Rev. Dr. Frank Sewall, Revs. Julian K. Smyth, Lewis F. Hite, Louis G. Hoeck, and others. By universal consent the address of the Rev. Julian K. Smyth on "The Nature of Swedenborg's Illumination," was the oratorical effort of the Congress, admired by all for its lofty and sustained power. An occasion unique in the history of the New Church, the Congress touched high-water mark as a means of bringing into personal contact the leaders of our Church in its two greatest centres—America and Great Britain—and, whilst filling our hearts with an almost magnetic thrill, bound all together in love and unity. Never before has such an international gathering been held. Its published "Transactions" record a noble and memorable assembly. May we hope that the day is not far distant when on your side of the Atlantic another Congress may be held of equal power.

The quieter but exceedingly useful Conferences on N. C. Education, Missionary and Publishing Work, which followed the Congress will, we doubt not, prove exceedingly valuable and helpful in cementing together the American and English New Church, and in bringing about their closer co-operation in these important branches of Church activity.

We now turn to the main subject of your last Address, submitted by our brother, the Rev. Chas. W. Harvey, personally known, before his departure to the States, to the present writer and many others here. It gives us much pleasure to know that a former student of the Conference has risen in your Convention to a position of such trust and confidence, and to receive your message of good-will at his hands.

Though not possessing a first hand acquaintance with the American theological writers whose names he mentions, we rejoice to receive the assurance that they bear testimony to the fact that the destructive criticism of the past is being mitigated and that the criticism of today is becoming "broader, sounder, more conservative, and more appreciative of the greatness of the subjects with which it is dealing." Here in England a similar tendency is manifest, yet destructive criticism cannot be said to have entirely completed its work, and that which is copstructive has

hardly begun. The "New Theology" movement, inaugurated by the Rev. R. J. Campbell, of the City Temple, London, has for its main use the removal of ancient dogma. On its constructive side it is social rather than theological, and presents a temporary and passing rather than an enduring phase of religious thought. In this it is typical of all the human efforts which are being made today to solve the theological problems presented in this transition age. These problems are too vast, too far-reaching, too fundamental, to be solved by the unaided intelligence of man. They await a Divine solution, and that solution we recognize to have been anticipatively and divinely given in the Writings of the Lord's Servant, Emanuel Swedenborg. For 150 years the doctrines revealed in those Writings—doctrines complete, full, and divinely adequate to meet all the demands of rational and spiritual thought—have been in the world awaiting its awakening. For more than 100 years the few who have received them have lifted their voice almost unheeded in the wilderness, and been subject to the active and latent hostility of the adherents of irrational dogma based upon a misinterpreted and misunderstood Word. Today we witness an amazing change. The leaders of orthodox Christianity seem eager to abandon those dogmas against which we have so long and apparently in vain protested, and to admit that the Word of God has been misinterpreted and misunderstood. With few exceptions both preachers and people have willingly followed their leaders, and those exceptions seem due rather to fear of loss of faith in the divinity of the Word than desire to retain what is irrational.

Welcoming this change in the thought of the theological world, a change almost inconceivable in its rapidity and wide-spread influence, we are yet bound to recognize that it is mainly negative, and presents to the New Church rather an enlarged opportunity than an acceptance and confirmation of her four primary doctrines.

In none of the newer forms of thought—in the rapidly-spreading Unitarianism of the various sections of the Christian Church, the New Theology, Christian Science, Spiritualism, or Western Theosophy—is there a recognition of the Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ or of the Divinity of the Word. In our opinion this lack of constructive power is rather a subject of rejoicing than of regret. It leaves the field open for the dissemination of the truth. To this great work we must forthwith devote ourselves, and for its adequate fulfilment brace our energies.

The attention of the intellectual world having been directed to the scientific work of Swedenborg by the Congress, in July, and by the royal unveiling in November of the sarcophagus to his memory in the Cathedral at Upsala, we must be prepared to meet not only the awakened religious thought of the world, but

a keener criticism than in the days of yore. It will doubtless test the thoroughness of our grasp of the doctrines taught in the theological works written by Swedenborg during his later years of illumination, and also our acquaintance with the true relation of those doctrines to the works penned during his antecedent and preparatory scientific career. Of the ultimate result we need have no fear. That is in the all-powerful hands of our Heavenly Father. But we shall need a broader and surer grasp of our own doctrines and a greater power to set them forth acceptably in contrast with the prevailing and changing modes of thought which characterize the age in which we live. And to do this effectively we shall need the intelligent and sympathetic appreciation and support of all our people. The primal need of the hour is that the organized New Church throughout the world should adopt every wise available means of enabling the coming generation of New-Church men and women to acquire a spiritual culture, a belief, a love, and a life in full accordance with the enlightening truths of the Second Advent. In the new age now dawning upon the world, and of which we see confirmatory evidences in the wonderful progress manifest in all forms of external thought and life in these early years of the Twentieth Century, the hope of the future prosperity of the New Church lies with the young people of today. It is reassuring, therefore, to find that, coincident with this need, systematic thought and attention is being given to the development of the young life of the Church. The American New-Church League, the British Federation, and the Junior Members' Committee of our Conference, are doing in this regard a useful and valuable work.

We agree with Mr. Harvey, that the true doctrine of the Lord is dependent upon that of the Divinity of the Word. Assuredly we shall be wise to give the fullest consideration to the teachings which establish its divine authorship, and its divine method of interpretation. We shall need to take the greatest care to rightly understand those teachings and to set them forth in such manner as will bring them into living contact with up-to-date Biblical Criticism and exposition. Granted such consideration and care we entertain no doubt as to the ultimate result.

We appreciate your reference to our new Quarterly. Your own Review gains our esteem year by year. The New-Church Journals of today, by keeping abreast with the times, may, with complete loyalty to the Writings, uphold the high traditions of the past.

We also much appreciate your kindly reference to the passing of our late King Edward. He would have rejoiced in the efforts now being made by the President of the United States and our own government in the projected Treaty of Arbitration between

England and America, which is receiving such manifest and loyal support from all sections of the Christian Church on both sides of the Atlantic. We trust that in this, his Coronation year, our present King George may see this much-to-be-desired Treaty brought to a successful conclusion and that thus a great step may be taken in the direction of securing the peace of the world. We rejoice to see in the sphere political so much willingness to practically co-operate in bringing nearer that prophetic day when "They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." To this picture of universal knowledge, love and peace the New Church looks with longing eyes, and towards its realization she must put forth every effort.

In conclusion we wish you a happy and useful session, one in every way profitable and memorable, and calculated greatly to promote the extension of the Lord's Kingdom.

On behalf of the General Conference of the New Church, I am,  
Yours fraternally,

W. H. CLAXTON, *President.*

JOSEPH DEANS, *Secretary.*

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ADDRESS TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEW CHURCH IN GREAT  
BRITAIN FROM THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM  
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

DEAR BRETHREN:

Your thoughtful, broad-minded, appreciative and affectionate address, prepared by your President, the Rev. William Henry Claxton, has been received and read to the Convention. It was listened to with profound attention, not only on account of the personal interest growing out of the personal intercourse between the two great branches of the Church in the world during the International Congress last year, but on account of its comprehensive and suggestive thoughts on many topics.

The International Congress marks an era in the history of the Church. It has not only brought the two largest bodies of the Church together in larger numbers than ever before, but has prepared the way for the nuptials between religion and science that must surely take place, showing that when rightly understood they are handmaids of the Lord and in perfect harmony with each other.

We feel it a privilege and pleasure, in this the first official communication from the Convention to the Conference after the meeting of the Congress, to thank our English brethren, both of the

Swedenborg Society and the Church at large, for the inception and successful exploitation of the International Congress. It was the largest, and perhaps, most important meeting of New-Church people ever brought together in this world. The Church-spirit in which it was conceived, the wisdom with which it was planned, the breadth and liberality of the preparations made, the thoughtfulness and kindness that marked the reception and entertainment of members and delegates from abroad, the genuine and considerate hospitality of our London hosts, the warm greeting with which we were met by officials and friends, and the faithfulness and devotion with which all the plans were carried out to the smallest particulars, made it an occasion never to be forgotten; while the freedom and delight of the intercourse with each other illustrated the perfect unity and harmony of the Church the world over.

Of the four days sessions of the Congress and the various and delightful side meetings held, with the long array of foreigners and scientific men present and the eloquent and profound papers read, too much cannot be said. We can assure you that the proceedings of the Congress were followed in this country with keen interest and delight as they were reported in our various periodicals and journals, while the full and admirable "Transactions of the Congress" that has since appeared has met with warm and intelligent reception.

The Convention avails itself of this opportunity to express its warm appreciation of the work of the Congress. We believe its impetus will be felt by all branches of the Church for a long time to come. It will also afford inspiration and courage to individual workers in the Lord's vineyard. It is already apparent in a new optimism that seems to have shown itself in the Church.

We cannot dismiss the subject of the Congress without referring to the meeting called by the Swedenborg Society after the adjournment to consider and determine the best means for co-operation in the general work of the Church. The very concept of such a meeting on the part of the Swedenborg Society showed a disposition to look forward and not back; not to be satisfied with the honorable and glorious record of past achievements, but to anticipate and provide for the arduous and practical labors of the future. Such a meeting was needed. Fuller and more intelligent co-operation has been desirable. It was eminently wise to take advantage of this opportunity to secure it. We believe this conference will prove itself exceedingly useful. We especially rejoice in the wise provision agreed upon for vigorously and liberally prosecuting the duplication and preservation of Swedenborg's MSS. now so urgent, and we pledge ourselves to

do all that lies in our power to carry out our part of the agreement.

This reminds us to raise the question, tentatively, whether the time has not come when the two great branches of the English-speaking Church may enter with profit upon another enterprise for the benefit of the Church—the production of a new and uniform edition of the Theological Writings of the Church, in the best translation that the united scholarship of the Church can produce, and in the handsomest form that the bookmakers' art can compass? The time seems propitious for such an enterprise, because there is now no pressing need for a new edition in your country or ours, and our translators can take as much time as may be necessary to make their work as perfect as possible. The translations might be made by an English and American syndicate working together somewhat on the lines of the English and American revisers of the Word a few years ago, or of our own committee on translation of the Word. They might begin on some one work—say the True Christian Religion—and devote to it as many years as may be required to determine the general principles to be observed in translating; and, when the need of a new edition became manifest, might proceed more rapidly with the revision of the other works on the lines laid down. In the meantime the work need not be lost to the Church. Difficult problems, after being threshed out, might be published for the information of the Church; light might be thrown on many questions of interpretation; and disputed and doubtful points of doctrine might be cleared up. The conclusions of the committee might be printed, as they progress, in the periodicals of the Church, and in this manner be preserved for use of such scholars as might later come into the syndicate. For the better carrying out of such a plan, your suggestion of a yearly exchange of delegates or visitors might become practical.

We sympathize most heartily with your address in your recognition of the rapid and radical changes now going on in the theological world regarding doctrinal subjects, and especially the revulsion against the extremes to which the so-called Higher Criticism has gone in the past. The same is true with regard to the age-long conflict between religion and science. The bald materialism of Darwin and some of his contemporaries has given way to a more open spirit. Already many scientific men are beginning to protest against the denial of some kind of life and intelligence within nature, from which comes growth and activity. All this seems to indicate that the ebbing tide had reached its lowest point, and that a reaction is setting in that will grow more and more marked as the years go by.

But with all this we have little or nothing to do, except to note

it as a sign of the time. Our work is affirmative, not negative. A true knowledge of the Lord and of creation cannot be recognized, as you truly say, "by the unaided intelligence of man," but awaits a Divine solution—that solution that "we recognize to have been anticipatively and divinely given in the Writings of the Lord's Servant, Emanuel Swedenborg." Our aim, therefore, must be to proclaim that revelation in all its breadth and scope.

We rejoice with you in the arbitration treaty now being negotiated between our two governments. We hope it will be ratified and confirmed. We hope that the amicable relations now existing between the two countries may continue and strengthen. We believe it lies in our power, if we work together according to just principles, to conserve in large measure the peace of the world. But it should be remembered that this cannot be done by arbitration agreements alone. There is no power under the sun to hold the contracting powers to such an agreement a moment longer than they desire to keep it. The only power that can do that is the "*Prince of Peace;*" and He only so far as we will co-operate with Him by keeping His commandments. While we may and must rejoice in the peace movements that now have such a strong hold on the world, our first and highest duty is to teach men to look to the Lord and shun evils as sins against Him. If we do this successfully there will be no cause for war, and universal peace will reign throughout the world.

Our heartfelt sympathies go out toward you and the English people and the Empire in the great event that is approaching—the coronation of your young, earnest, and, as we believe, conscientious king, and his consort. We believe that he will emulate the virtues of those who have gone before him, and we wish for him a long and peaceful reign, and for England an era of prosperity and progress.

Thanking you again for the fraternal feeling and good wishes expressed in your address, congratulating you on the signs of progress that we noted last year, and praying for the continuance of the Divine blessing upon your labors, I am, on behalf of the General Convention,

Very respectfully and affectionately,

Yours in the Church,

SAMUEL S. SEWARD,  
*President.*

### **Copy of Act of Incorporation.**

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#### *An Act to Incorporate the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America.*

SECTION 1.—*Be it enacted by the people of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly,* that Rev. Thomas Worcester, D.D., of Boston, Mass.; Rev. J. R. Hibbard, of Chicago, Ill.; Rev. T. B. Hayward, of Brookline, Mass.; Robert L. Smith, Esq., of Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.; J. Young Scammon, Esq., of Chicago, and I. S. Britton, Esq., of Springfield, Ill.; Hon. John B. Niles, of La Porte, Ind.; Dr. Charles Shepherd, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Rev. Chauncey Giles, of Cincinnati, Ohio; David Snyder, Esq., of Philadelphia, Pa.; N. F. Cabell, Esq., of Warminster, Va.; Hon. John H. Wilkins and Sampson Reed, of Boston, Mass.; Oliver Gerrish, of Portland, and Henry B. Hoskins, of Gardiner, Me., their associates and successors, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate, under the name of "The General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America"; under which name they shall have perpetual succession with power to receive, take by gift, purchase, devise, or otherwise, property and estate, real, personal, or mixed, for educational or religious purposes, and to hold, lease, and sell or convey the same at pleasure.

SECTION 2.—The business affairs of said Convention shall be managed and controlled by its Executive Committee (or General Council), subject to the direction of the Convention when in session. Said Committee (or Council) shall be chosen or appointed, from time to time, in such manner as the Constitution of such Convention may direct, and shall be governed by the Constitution of such Convention, and act in conformity to its votes. Said Committee (or Council) may create such offices, and appoint such officers, as they may see fit, and remove the same at pleasure; and may manage its business affairs in such manner as a majority of said Committee (or Council) may determine, subject to the control of the Convention.

SECTION 3.—Said Convention may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend in all courts and places, in its corporate name, by attorney or otherwise. All deeds, conveyances, or leases of the property held by said Convention, for the purpose of leasing or conveying such property, shall be made under the hands of the President and Recording Secretary, and under such

seal as said Executive Committee (or General Council) may adopt; but all such deeds must be approved by a majority of said Committee (or Council).

SECTION 4.—All gifts, devises, or bequests made to said Convention, shall be used for educational or religious purposes; or the proceeds thereof, if sold, or disposed of, shall be so applied.

SECTION 5.—Nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to interfere with the right of said Convention to alter, amend, or abolish its Constitution, or to form a new one, whenever it shall see fit to do so.

APPROVED, January 29, 1861.

**Constitution.****OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM  
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.****ARTICLE I.—*Name.***

This Body shall be called the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and shall consist of all who acknowledge the doctrines of the New Jerusalem as revealed by the Lord from His Word in the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, and who unite with this Body in performing the uses of the General Church.

**ARTICLE II.—*Meetings, etc.***

SECTION 1.—Meetings of this Body shall be held at least triennially, at such times and places as it may determine.

SECTION 2.—All members of the Convention shall have right to be present at its meetings, and to take part in the deliberations; they may also be appointed upon committees and elected to office. But the right to vote shall be limited to ministers whose official acts are reported to the Convention, and the delegates of Associations and other bodies of the Church connected with the Convention. But this section shall not affect the rights of the present elected members of the General Convention, until the Societies with which they may be connected become members thereof, or of some Associations belonging to it.

SECTION 3.—Every Association or other body of the Church connected with this Convention shall be entitled to two delegates, and an additional delegate for every fifty members.

**ARTICLE III.—*Officers.***

The Officers of the Convention shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by ballot, and hold their offices until their successors are chosen; a Council of Ministers, consisting of all the ministers belonging to the Convention, of whom twelve shall constitute a quorum; and a General Council, consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretaries, and Treasurer, together with four ministers and six laymen, to be chosen by ballot by the Convention.

**ARTICLE IV.—Duties, etc.**

The President, Vice-President, Secretaries, and Treasurer shall perform the duties implied by the names of their several offices, and such other duties as the Convention may require of them. The General Council shall have superintendence of the business of the Convention, and shall exercise the powers of the Convention in the interim of its meetings. The Council of Ministers shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the ministry, subject to the provisions of this Constitution.

**ARTICLE V.—*The Priesthood or Ministry.*****PREAMBLE.**

"There are things of two kinds which must be in order among men, namely, those that are of heaven, and those that are of the world: those that are of heaven are called ecclesiastical, and those that are of the world are called civil.

"Order cannot be maintained in the world without rulers, who shall observe all things that are done according to order, and those done contrary to order; and shall reward them that live according to order, and punish them that live contrary to order. If this be not done, the human race must perish; for it is innate in every one by inheritance to desire to rule over others, and to possess the goods of others; whence come enmities, envyings, hatreds, revenges, deceits, cruelties, and many other evils: wherefore, unless men were held in check by laws, and by rewards suited to their loves, which are honors and gains for them that do good; and by punishments contrary to those loves, which are the loss of honor, of possessions, and of life for them that do evil; the human race would perish.

"There must therefore, be rulers to keep associations of men in order, who should be skilled in the laws, wise, and fearing God. There must also be order among the rulers, lest any, from caprice or inexperience, should permit evils against order, and so destroy it: which is guarded against when there are higher and lower rulers, among whom there is subordination.

"Rulers over the things among men which relate to heaven, or over ecclesiastical affairs, are called priests, and their office the priesthood. But rulers over the things among men which relate to the world, or civil affairs, are called magistrates, and their chief, where there is such a form of government, is called a king.

"With respect to priests, they must teach men the way to heaven, and also lead them; they must teach them according to the doctrine of their Church from the Word, and lead them to live according to it. Priests who teach truths, and thereby lead to good of life, and so to the Lord, are good shepherds of the sheep;

but they that teach, and do not lead to good of life, and so to the Lord, are evil shepherds.

"Priests must not claim to themselves any power over the souls of men, because they do not know in what state the interiors of a man are; still less ought they to claim the power of opening and shutting heaven, since that power belongs to the Lord alone.

"Priests shall have dignity and honor on account of the holy things which they administer; but they that are wise give the honor to the Lord, from whom are the holy things, and not to themselves; while they that are not wise, ascribe honor to themselves. These take it away from the Lord. Those that ascribe honor to themselves, on account of the holy things which they administer, prefer honor and gain to the salvation of souls, which they ought to provide for; but those that give the honor to the Lord, and not to themselves, prefer the salvation of souls to honor and gain. The honor of any employment is not in the person, but is adjoined to him according to the dignity of the thing which he administers; and what is adjoined does not belong to the person himself, and is also separated with the employment. Personal honor is the honor of wisdom and of the fear of the Lord.

"Priests must teach the people and lead them by means of truths to good of life; but still they must not force any one; since no one can be forced to believe contrary to what he thinks from his heart to be true. He who believes otherwise than the priest, and makes no disturbance, ought to be left in peace; but he who makes disturbance must be separated; for this also is according to order, for the sake of which the priesthood exists.

"As priests are appointed to administer the things which are of Divine law and worship, so kings and magistrates are appointed to administer the things which are of civil law and judgment."—H. D., nos. 311-319.

SECTION 1.—A member of the New Church pursuing in a Theological School of the New Church, or under the instruction of a pastor, a preparatory course of study, may, on presenting to the Presiding Minister of an Association or of the General Convention the recommendation of the Principal of such school, or of such pastor, become a candidate for the ministry, and after suitable preparation, be authorized as such by the Presiding Minister to lead in worship, to teach the doctrines of the Church, to lecture, and to officiate at funerals, such authorization to be renewed annually so long as continued; and all such services shall be performed under the supervision of such Presiding Minister or Principal, or a pastor appointed for the purpose; and the provision of this clause may also apply by vote of the General Convention or of an Association to others than candidates for the ministry.

SECTION 2.—A member of the Church who has been a candidate for a suitable term, may, with the sanction of the General Convention or of an Association be ordained into the ministry, with such powers as the General Convention or Association shall prescribe.

SECTION 3.—A minister who has been invited by a society to become its pastor, may, on presentation of the proper credentials to the Presiding Minister, be installed into the pastoral office, with power, if not previously conferred, to administer the Sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Supper, and to consecrate marriages.

SECTION 4.—A pastor, after a suitable term in the pastoral office, may, by request of an Association, and with the sanction of the General Convention, be invested with the office of General Pastor, with power to authorize candidates, ordain ministers, and preside over a general body of the Church, while acting as Presiding Minister of any Association, or of the General Convention; or an Association may, with the sanction of the General Convention, temporarily invest the powers of General Pastor in its Presiding Minister, or Superintendent, during his continuance in office; provided that the adoption of these rules shall not affect the status of existing ministers, and that those who have been consecrated as Ordaining Ministers shall be classed as General Pastors.

SECTION 5.—A minister ordained by authority of the Convention, or one reporting to and acting under the rules of the Convention, shall be considered a minister and member of the Convention, and subject to its jurisdiction, until his connection therewith shall be severed by voluntary act on his part, or by authority of the Convention.

#### ARTICLE VI.

Corporations, Boards, and Trustees, constituted for general uses to the Church, and desiring to co-operate with the Convention, may receive such recognition and supervision as may be determined, in conformity with the laws of the States in which they legally exist.

#### ARTICLE VII.—*Amendments.*

This Constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Convention, by a two-thirds vote; provided, that the proposed amendment shall first be referred to the General Council or the Council of Ministers, and public notice of the substance thereof shall have been given at least six months before the time of such meeting; which notice may be dispensed with for any special occasion by a three-fourths vote of the Convention.

### By-Laws of the General Convention.

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SECTION 1.—The meetings of the Convention shall be opened by the reading of the Word and prayer, every morning.

SECTION 2.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered on the Sabbath included in the session of the Convention.

SECTION 3.—A Committee on Credentials, to consist of three persons, shall be appointed at the opening of each meeting of the Convention, to examine the credentials of the delegates, and make up the Roll of the Convention; said Committee to sit during the whole of that meeting, and to add to and correct the Roll, as may be proper.

SECTION 4.—All receivers of the doctrines of the New Church, who are in attendance at any session of the Convention, are invited to take seats in the meeting and inscribe their names and residences in a register to be kept for that purpose, at each meeting of the Convention; and such registry shall entitle them to participate in its deliberations.

This By-Law shall be read by the Secretary immediately after the opening of each session of the Convention.

SECTION 5.—Immediately after the appointment of the Committee on Credentials, Reports and Communications shall be presented in the following order:—

1. Address of the President.
2. Report of the Secretaries.
3. Report of the Treasurer.
4. Report of the General Council.
5. Report of the Board of Publication.
6. Report of the Corporation of the Theological School.
7. Report of the Treasurer of the Theological School Fund.
8. Report of the Board of Managers of the Theological School.
9. Report of the Trustees of the Building Fund.
10. Report of the Trustee of the Rice Legacy.
11. Report of the Trustees of the Rotch Legacy.
12. Report of the Council of Ministers.
13. Report of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.
14. Report of the Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's manuscripts.
15. Report of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association.
16. Reports of Associations in alphabetical order.

17. Reports of Societies.
18. Reports of General Pastors and Ministers.
19. Special Reports.
20. Unfinished Business.
21. New Business.

When any report called for is not ready, its presentation shall be postponed until all other regular reports have been presented in their order. This rule shall not apply to the report of the General Council, which may be presented as soon as prepared.

No debate shall be allowed on any of the above reports until all of them have been presented; but a motion to refer, or to adopt a recommendation, without debate, shall be in order.

The above Order of Business may be suspended at any time by a two-thirds vote.

SECTION 6.—The rules and regulations which obtain in deliberative assemblies generally, are adopted by the Convention until otherwise ordered.

SECTION 7.—No member shall speak more than five minutes at one time, nor more than twice upon any subject, without the consent or leave of the Convention.

SECTION 8.—When a report is presented, it shall be regarded as received, unless objected to. If objected to, the question of its reception shall be taken. But its acceptance expresses no approval of its contents.

SECTION 9.—The *yeas* and *nays* shall be taken whenever they are called for by one-fifth of the persons voting.

SECTION 10.—Application for the ordination of Ministers, or the investiture of General Pastors, or other matters relating to the office of the ministry, may be first received and considered by the Council of Ministers without previous reference by the Convention.

SECTION 11.—The application of an Association or other body of the Church to be received by this Body and represented in the General Convention, may be made through the General Council, and upon their recommendation shall come before the Convention. When the Convention has voted to receive such Association or other body, the President shall announce the names of its delegates, and invite them to come forward. He shall then inform them of the vote of the Convention, and, all the members of the Convention rising, he shall give the delegates the right hand of fellowship, and welcome them to all the privileges enjoyed by other delegates.

SECTION 12.—The President shall present an address at each meeting of the Convention, setting forth the condition and wants of the Convention.

SECTION 13.—The President shall, from time to time, address the General Conference of the New Church in Great Britain, and other

general bodies of the Church, or appoint some person or persons to do so.

SECTION 14.—All addresses ordered by the Convention to go forth in its name shall first be submitted to the Convention or the General Council for adoption.

SECTION 15.—The Board of Publication shall make its annual report to the Convention, in print, as early as the second day of the session of the Convention, embracing all matters intended to be brought before that body for its action.

SECTION 16.—It shall be the duty of the Secretaries to attend at the opening of each session of the Convention, and to bring with them the Book of Records, the *Journals* of the Convention, and such papers as may be in their possession relating to unfinished or other business likely to come before the Convention; and the Treasurer is authorized to audit their accounts for traveling expenses, and to pay the same.

SECTION 17.—The two Secretaries of the Convention shall constitute a Committee on the *Journal*, whose duty it shall be to procure the publication of the *Journal* entire as recorded, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention or the General Council; and such reports or other documents received by the Convention, not ordered to be printed by the Convention, as they may deem useful; with such number of copies for distribution as the Committee shall judge necessary. All reports of Associations, Societies, General Pastors, and unattached Ministers, shall be sent to the Secretaries at least four weeks previous to the meeting of the Convention, and shall be prepared by the Secretaries and presented to the Convention in print. Copies shall also be mailed to the Ministers and Associations ten days prior to the opening of the Convention. So far as possible, the following reports shall also be printed and distributed with them, namely, the reports of the Secretaries, Treasurer, Auditors of Account of Treasurer, Board of Publication, Corporation of the Theological School, Treasurer of the Theological School, Trustees of the New-Church Building Fund, Trustee of the Rice Legacy, Trustees of the Rotch Legacy, Board of Home and Foreign Missions, Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts, Trustees of the Jungerich Fund, Committee to Audit Accounts of the Jungerich Fund, Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund, Trustees of the National Church at Washington, D. C., Committee on Transportation, Trustees of the Pension Fund. They shall condense and tabulate all reports and documents which are entitled to a place in the *Journal*, as far as is consistent with giving the substance of the proceedings; they shall revise the List of Societies appended to the *Journal*; and prepare, from the statistics of the several Associations, or other collective bodies of the Church, a table of the representatives to

which the Associations respectively are entitled. For the expenses of printing the *Journal*, the Committee may draw on the Treasurer for any unappropriated funds in his hands.

SECTION 18.—The Secretaries shall, under the direction of the President, distribute to the Ministers, Societies, and Associations belonging to this Convention, the Minutes of the General Conference of the New Church in Great Britain, and other documents sent to this Convention, as soon as received. They shall also, under the direction of the President, distribute copies of the *Journal* of the Convention to foreign bodies or persons abroad.

SECTION 19.—Meetings of the General Council may be called by the President, Secretaries, or any three members thereof, upon giving thirty days' notice by letter, the time to be computed from the mailing of the letter; and at all meetings of said Council, seven shall constitute a quorum. No appropriation of a larger sum of money than two hundred dollars shall be made by said Council, unless a majority of the members thereof assent thereto; and no portion of the principal of the Rice Fund shall be appropriated by the Council; nor shall any appropriation be made by said Council, at any time, beyond the amount in the treasury available for the purposes of the appropriation.

SECTION 20.—All Committees shall be nominated by the President of the Convention, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, or provided in the Constitution; but the Vice-President may appoint committees in the President's absence.

SECTION 21.—The President and Vice-President are authorized to fill vacancies on any committee, or to appoint any committees that may have been overlooked, and to send their names to the Secretaries for publication in the *Journal*. All officers and committees shall report in writing to the Convention at each session. The Council of Ministers and the General Council shall report all their doings to the Convention.

SECTION 22.—There shall be a Board of Home and Foreign Missions, consisting of the President of the Convention and of eighteen other members, nine of whom shall be ministers and nine laymen, to be elected by the General Convention. When the Board is elected the members shall divide themselves into three classes by lot, numbered, *one, two, three*; the first of which shall serve one year, the second two years, and the third three years; and thereafter six members shall be elected annually by the General Convention or the General Council, to serve three years. Seven members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 23.—At each meeting of the Convention, or as soon thereafter as possible, the President shall also appoint a committee of five persons, to be called the Committee on Business, at least three of whom shall be from the Association where the next

Convention is to be held which shall prepare for the next meeting thereof and shall have charge of the general business of the Convention, and the duty of which shall be to assign the order under which different subjects shall be presented to the Convention and the time to be allotted to each subject, and to prepare and print the program of that meeting of the Convention, but such program may be changed at any time by the Convention.

All new business, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, shall take the form of a notice of motion, and shall be referred directly to this committee, without debate, to assign a time for its consideration.

SECTION 24.—A Board of twelve Managers shall be appointed by the Convention, to which Board shall be entrusted the care and conduct of the Theological School. When the Board is elected, the members shall divide themselves into three classes by lot, numbered, *one, two, three*; the first of which will serve one year, the second two years, and the third three years; and thereafter four members shall be elected annually, by the Convention or the General Council, to serve three years. These twelve Managers shall elect the President of the Theological School, who shall thereupon become, *ex-officio*, a member of the Board.

SECTION 25.—Every minister ordained by authority of the Convention, and not connected with an Association or other collective body acting under the rules of the Convention, shall report his official acts to the Convention annually. Whenever such minister, so ordained, shall neglect to make a report to the Convention as aforesaid, he shall be notified of such neglect by the Secretary of the Council of Ministers. After notification and failure to report for three years, his name may be stricken from the Roll of Ministers, after the fact has been certified by the Council to the Convention. In case a minister shall desire to be reinstated after his name has been stricken from the Roll, he shall make application to the Convention, which shall be referred to the Council of Ministers, which shall report thereon to the Convention. The Council of Ministers shall, from time to time, revise the list of the ministers, and report the same to the Convention.

SECTION 26.—All communications addressed to the Convention during the interim between its sessions, shall be sent to the President or Secretaries.

SECTION 27.—The Treasurer is authorized to audit the account of the President for traveling expenses in connection with each session of the Convention, and to pay the same, and also the expenses of the Secretary of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions and of the Council of Ministers.

SECTION 28.—The Constitution and Act of Incorporation shall be reprinted with each *Journal*.

### Standing Recommendations.

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#### *To Associations, etc.*

1. Each Association, or other collective body of the Church, is requested to report annually a list of its ministers.
2. The Convention recommends to the several Associations composing this body that, as far as they are able, they sustain their General Pastor or Presiding Minister in the general work of the Church in their Association; and when one Association is unable to support a General Pastor, entirely or in part, that adjoining Associations unite in the support of a General Pastor. (*Journal* of 1875, Minute 66.)
3. Associations are recommended to make such specific rules, under the general rules for the regulation of the ministry, as they may consider necessary or desirable.
4. Associations are requested to furnish the Secretaries with copies of all their printed *Journals* of past years, and also copies of their future proceedings, from time to time, as they may be published. (*Journal* of 1900, Minute 163.)

#### *To Isolated Societies.*

5. To establish a Sabbath school and to give it watchful care, in which the truths of the Church shall be distinctly taught.
6. To adopt as rules of discipline, or laws of charity, what is taught by the Lord in MATT. v. 23, 24, and xviii. 15-17.
7. To establish free libraries of the theological works of Swedenborg for loan to all who are interested.

#### *To Ministers.*

8. If not connected with any Association, or other collective body reporting to the Convention, to report to the Convention at each session, stating where they are employed, and for what portion of the time.
9. To keep a record of the names, ages, residences, etc., of all persons baptized by them.

#### *To the Standing Committee of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association.*

10. To report annually to the Convention such statistics and such action by the Association as may be of general interest.

#### *As to Meetings of Convention.*

11. That hereafter the meetings of the Convention shall be held at some date not including Decoration Day or the first of the month. (*Journal* of 1908, Minute 133.)

**Act of Incorporation and By-Laws of the New-Church  
Theological School.**

**ACT OF INCORPORATION.**

No. 1325.

*Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

BE IT KNOWN, That whereas Francis Phelps, David L. Webster, Albert Mason, George Ropes, John Worcester, James Reed, and Edward A. Whiston have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, for the purpose of the maintenance of a theological school for the ecclesiastical body known as the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and have complied with the provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of the President, Treasurer, and Directors of said corporation, duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations, and recorded in this office:

Now, THEREFORE, I, HENRY B. PIERCE, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do HEREBY CERTIFY that said Francis Phelps, David L. Webster, Albert Mason, George Ropes, John Worcester, James Reed, and Edward A. Whiston, their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as and are hereby made an existing corporation under the name of the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, with the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties, and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

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WITNESS my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed this seventeenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

HENRY B. PIERCE,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

**BY-LAWS.**

I.

**MEMBERS.**

Any male member of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, or of any Association or Society connected therewith, may become a member of this

Corporation by signing these By-Laws; and shall cease to be a member thereof upon ceasing to have the qualification above named, or upon filing with the clerk a written withdrawal of membership.

## II.

### OFFICERS.

The officers of this Corporation shall be a President, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Board of Directors, which shall consist of three, until the first annual meeting, and thereafter shall consist of fifteen.

## III.

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Corporation and of the Board of Directors, and in his absence a chairman shall be elected by those present. On or before the April meeting of the Directors, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three to bring in a list of nominations of officers of the Corporation for the following year, to be presented at the annual meeting.

The Clerk shall keep the records of the Corporation and of the Board of Directors, and shall give notice of all meetings of both. He shall, immediately after each annual meeting of the Corporation, transmit to the Secretary of said General Convention, a copy of the Treasurer's annual report.

The Treasurer shall, under the direction of the Board of Directors, receive, hold, and disburse all money of the Corporation; and shall have, subject to such direction, the custody and care of all the funds, securities, and property of the Corporation. He shall report to the Corporation each year at the annual meeting.

The Board of Directors shall manage all the business of the Corporation, and five Directors shall constitute a quorum of the Board after the first annual meeting of the Corporation. The Board of Directors shall report to the Corporation each year at the annual meeting.

## IV.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Clerk, Treasurer, and Board of Directors shall be elected by ballot by the Corporation at its annual meeting; and the Board of Directors shall elect by ballot one of their number President of the Corporation. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors, or in any office of the Corporation, may be filled temporarily by the Board of Directors until the next meeting of the Corporation.

**V.****ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in Boston, on such day in the month of May or June of each year, and at such hour, as the Board of Directors shall appoint; and notice of the time and place of meeting shall be published in the *New-Jerusalem Messenger*, if said paper is then published, at least one month before the time of meeting. Ten members of the Corporation shall constitute a quorum.

**VI.****MANAGEMENT OF THE SCHOOL.**

The Theological School maintained by this Corporation, as to the appointment of teachers, regulation of the course of study and all matters of control, except the establishment of salaries and the expenditure of money, shall be under the direction of a Board of Managers, to be elected by the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America. This article shall be amended only by a unanimous vote at an annual meeting of the Corporation, the notice for which shall contain the specific amendment proposed.

**VII.****AMENDMENTS.**

These By-Laws, except Article VI., may be amended at any annual meeting of the Corporation by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided the notice for such meeting shall contain the amendment proposed.

**Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws of the New-Church Board of Publication.****CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.**

The undersigned, Albert Mason, Charles C. Bonney, Samuel S. Seward, Grosvenor P. Lowrey, William W. Niles, Samuel S. Carpenter, Francis J. Worcester, do hereby certify:

1. That they are persons of full age and citizens of the United States, and that a majority of them are citizens of and residents within the State of New York.
2. That they desire to associate themselves and form a Society for benevolent, charitable, literary, and missionary purposes, and for the furtherance of religious opinion, pursuant to the requirements of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled "An Act for the Incorporation of Benevolent, Charitable, Scientific, and Missionary Societies, passed April 12, 1848, and the several Acts amendatory thereof."
3. That the name or title by which such Society shall be known in law is **The New-Church Board of Publication**.
4. That the business of such Society is to be conducted, and the principal place of business is to be, in the city and county of New York.
5. That the particular business and objects of such Society are to be the furtherance of religious opinion by the publication, sale, and distribution of books and periodicals, more especially the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, and such other works as may be deemed useful in diffusing a knowledge of said writings, and establishing and maintaining a printing-office and bookstore for the publication, sale, and distribution of such books and periodicals.
6. That such Society also intends to undertake certain benevolent, charitable, literary, and missionary work in connection with the publication and distribution of such books and periodicals, and will do and transact such other and incidental business as may be necessary or expedient to enable it to conduct and maintain such printing-office and bookstore to advantage in carrying out the objects of the Society. This corporation is formed at the instance of the religious body known as the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and so far as the laws of the State of New York may now or hereafter permit, without

prejudice to its corporate rights or franchises, this Corporation shall act as the publication agent and trustee of said Convention.

7. That the number of Directors to manage the affairs of the Society is twenty.

8. That the names of the Directors of such Society for the first year of its existence are as follows, namely: Samuel S. Seward, William B. Hayden, James Reed, Jabez Fox, Chauncey Giles, John R. Hibbard, Louis H. Tafel, Albinus F. Frost, Frank Sewall, Warren Goddard, Jr., Royal M. Pulsifer, David L. Webster, Mordaunt Bodine, Henry W. Guernsey, G. Woolworth Colton, Francis J. Worcester, Charles H. Allen, James M. Hill, Richard A. Lewis, Henry C. Spencer.

Witness our several signatures as of the tenth day of January, 1883:

ALBERT MASON,  
CHARLES C. BONNEY,  
SAMUEL S. SEWARD,  
GROSVENOR P. LOWREY,  
W. W. NILES,  
SAMUEL S. CARPENTER,  
FRANCES J. WORCESTER,

(Acknowledgments omitted.)

(Endorsed) I approve of the form and sufficiency of the within certificate, and consent that the same be filed in the proper offices.

ABRAHAM R. LAURENCE, *J. S. C.*

Filed in New York County Clerk's Office, April 9, 1883.

Filed in Secretary of State's Office, Albany, April 10, 1883.

#### BY-LAWS.

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#### MEMBERSHIP.

ART. 1. Any adult male may become a member of this Society by a unanimous vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Society, or any adjournment thereof, upon signing the roll of membership; or on presenting a certificate signed by one of the Secretaries of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America that he has been chosen as a suitable person to become a member by vote of the General Convention, or of its Executive Committee, and signing the roll of membership.

#### OFFICERS.

ART. 2. The Officers of this Society shall consist of a Board of Directors, numbering twenty, who shall at their first meeting divide themselves into four classes of five each, and the term of office

of the several classes shall successively expire in one, two, three, and four years, and at every annual meeting after the first the Society shall elect five of its members as Directors to serve for four years and until their successors are chosen.

The Directors shall have power to fill vacancies in any class, and the terms of Directors so chosen shall expire with the term of the class in which the vacancies so filled occur.

The Directors shall elect annually by ballot from among their number a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be the President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Society; and the Directors may at any time fill vacancies in these offices, and also appoint other officers of the Society and fix their compensation.

#### OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY.

ART. 3. It shall be the aim of the Society to carry out the views and wishes of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, as far as it is possible to do so, both in the care and disbursement of funds entrusted to the Society by the said Convention, and by having the character of its publishing work such as shall meet the approval of the said Convention, as said approval may be manifested by the said Convention by means of a committee for the purpose, or otherwise.

#### AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.

ART. 4. By-Laws numbers 1 to 4, both inclusive, can only be amended by the unanimous vote of all the members present at a special or annual meeting, and the alteration shall not take effect until the consent in writing of three-fourths of the Directors of the Corporation shall have been obtained. All other By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a majority vote.

#### DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. 5. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Board of Directors, and in his absence a Chairman shall be elected by those present. The Secretary shall keep the roll of membership and records of the Society and of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall have charge and supervision of its property and business, subject at all times to the direction of the Society.

The Treasurer shall have, under the direction of the Board of Directors, the custody and care of all the funds of the Society, and his accounts shall be kept in books which belong to and remain the property of the Society.

QUORUM.

ART. 6. Six members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the Corporation except at the annual meeting, when the members present shall constitute a quorum.

Four members shall be a quorum at meetings of the Board of Directors.

MEETINGS.

ART. 7. The annual meeting shall be held in the city of New York on the second Wednesday in May, unless otherwise determined by the Directors or by a vote of the Corporation. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to mail to each Director and to the members of the Corporation, a notice of the annual meeting ten days in advance; such notice to be published in the *New Jerusalem Messenger* at least two weeks before said meeting.

Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or by any five members upon like notice.

ANNUAL REPORT.

ART. 8. The Corporation shall annually make a report of its work to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America.

**Invested Funds of the General Convention.****FUNDED BEQUESTS, LEGACIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

WILKINS FUND.—Legacy of John H. Wilkins, of Massachusetts, received June 7, 1864, \$3,000, increased by change of securities to \$3,768.75.

Income to be appropriated to Educational and Missionary purposes.

Income to be divided equally between the Board of Missions and the Theological School. (*Journal*, 1897, Minute 70.)

WALES FUND.—Bequest of Martin Wales, of Massachusetts, received Dec. 7, 1875, \$5,000. No restrictions.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention. (*Journal*, 1909, Minute 98.)

RICHARDS FUND.—Bequest of Giles Richards, of Ohio, received April 27, 1877, \$1,000. To be invested in securities of the United States or the State of New York.

Income to be applied in augmentation of the Fund for printing and publishing in connection with the General Convention, wherever such printing and publishing is carried on.

Payable to New-Church Board of Publication. (*Journal*, 1877, Minute 95.)

JENKINS FUND.—Legacy of Eliza Jenkins, of Massachusetts, received Sept. 17, 1877, \$2,000. No restrictions.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention. (*Journal*, 1909, Minute 98.)

SIMPINKS FUND.—Legacy of N. S. Simpkins, Jr., of New York, received July, 1887, \$20,000 in Bonds of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, which matured and were paid July 1, 1900.

Income to be applied for the use and benefit of such Theological school as is now or may hereafter be conducted by said Corporation.

EMILY S. WHITE FUND.—Gift by Mrs. White, of Ohio (see *Journal*, 1882, Minute 62.).

House and land, which were sold for \$4,500, and the proceeds

invested for the purpose of creating a fund to be used under the direction of the Convention in printing, publishing, or circulating the Theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg.

Applied to publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts. (*Journal*, 1898, Minute 52.)

FUND FOR PHOTO-LITHOGRAPHING THE MANUSCRIPTS OF SWEDENBORG.—Collected by subscriptions, by order of the Convention, June 11, 1887.

Amount of Fund, May, 1, 1911, \$2,802.84.

NATIONAL CHURCH AT WASHINGTON, D. C.—Built at the southeast corner of Sixteenth and Corcoran Streets, under the supervision of a National Committee appointed in 1889, to take charge of the building of a house of Worship in the city of Washington; authorized to raise funds for the object, to act as trustees of the property in the name of the Convention, and to fill vacancies in their number in conference with, and with the approval of, the President and Secretaries of the Convention.—*Journal*, 1889, Minute 48.

Carried upon the books of the Treasurer as a non-interest bearing asset of Convention at a valuation of \$100,000.—*Journal*, 1908, Minute 94.

BISSELL FUND.—By the will of Martin C. Bissell, of Joliet, Ill., the testator gave all his estate to trustees to pay,—

1. A number of pecuniary legacies to certain persons therein named.
2. To set apart \$17,000 for the erection of a house of worship at Joliet, Ill.
3. To pay an annuity of \$200 for the benefit of the *New-Church Independent and Monthly Review*.
4. To pay an annuity of \$800 for the maintenance of public worship in the city of Joliet, Ill.
5. To pay an annuity of \$1,200 to the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia.
6. To pay an annuity of \$1,200 to the General Convention for publishing New-Church doctrines and literature.

All said annuities were to continue for twenty years next following his death.

By the seventh section of the fourth item of his will, the testator directed that at the end of said twenty years all his estate should be converted by his trustees into ready money or its equivalent, and out of these proceeds to pay,—

1. To the New-Church Association within whose bounds the city of Joliet should then be embraced, the sum of \$25,000 for supporting the preaching of the New-Church doctrine in said locality.

2. To pay to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America the sum of \$60,000 in trust for the following purposes, namely, one-half for the use of the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia, and the other half to be used under the direction of the Convention for publishing New-Church doctrines and literature, or else for such charities of the New Church as said Convention in its wisdom may think best to apply it.

He then gave all the residue of his estate to the Convention in trust for general religious purposes in keeping with the New-Church doctrines, all lapsing legacies to go to the Convention, thus making the Convention his full residuary legatee and trustee.

Mr. Bissell died May 20, 1888.

Immediately upon the presentation of his will for probate, suits were commenced to break the same, and claims of various kinds entered against the estate, which involved expensive litigation and a reduction of the principal considerably below the estimated value at the time of Mr. Bissell's death.

The income of certain quarry property supposed to have good productive capacity also rapidly diminished, and it then became apparent that the design of the testator for the holding of the property for twenty years and the payment of said annuities could not be carried out.

The debts by the estate as well as the pecuniary legacies and allowed expenses having been settled, it was considered best by the parties interested in the estate that the trust should be closed and the remainder of the estate turned over to the Convention.

An agreement was accordingly entered into by the annuitants and final legatees providing for a cash payment of \$1,000 to the *New-Church Independent* and a distribution of the remaining property upon the basis of an estimated cash value thereof of \$80,000 as follows: Forty-eighths (40-80) to the Convention, twenty-one eighths (21-80) to the Illinois Association, and nineteen eighths (19-80) to the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia. In 1908, the assessed value of the estate was over \$91,000.

This agreement was submitted to the Circuit Court in 1897, and in 1898 was finally ratified, with a provision, however, making the Convention a trustee of the sum of \$17,000, and its future accumulations at 5 per cent, for the protection of the trust in the will which provided for the erection of a house of worship at Joliet, Ill., the decree further requiring that a sufficient portion of the best productive real estate should be held by the Convention as trustee for this purpose, the same to be of sufficient value to guarantee the payment of the said sum of \$17,000 and accumu-

lations, until the end of the original twenty years, to wit, May 12, 1908. As the capital thus pledged is sufficient to secure this end, the income can be enjoyed by the Convention under its agreement with its co-beneficiaries *ad interim*.

A full and complete report of the Committee appointed to make settlement with the executor of Mr. Bissell, which includes also a copy of his will and an inventory of the estate turned over to the Convention, will be found in the report of the General Council on pages 57 to 71 inclusive, *Journal*, 1899. See also the reports of the Treasurer of the Convention since that date.

**SOPHIA W. HAYDEN FUND.**—The Legacy received from Mrs. Sophia W. Hayden was devised in the following terms:—

“To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and its successors forever, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, to be by it funded and the income therefrom to be employed as follows, namely:—

“The income of One Thousand Dollars to be devoted to the cause of New-Church Missions in foreign countries; the income of One Thousand Dollars to be devoted annually to the cause of New-Church Home Missionary work; and the income of the remaining One Thousand Dollars to be applied to any of the general uses or expenses of the Convention as it may determine.”

**EDWARD W. BROWN FUND.**—Legacy under will of E. W. Brown, of Boston, Mass.—“To be properly invested by said Corporation or Convention, and the income thereof to be added thereto, and the whole applied in aid of a faithful translation from the original language in the light of the New (Jerusalem) Church of the revealed ‘Word of God,’ and in publishing the same, when translators possessing the requisite ability to do the work are assured, and a fund from this and other sources shall be adequate for its accomplishment, \$1,000.” With addition of income the amount is now \$2,026.84.

**MARHTA D. GARDNER LEGACY.**—Legacy under will of M. D. Gardner, of Bristol, R. I., \$50. No restrictions named. Increased by income to \$84.56.

**SARAH B. EHRMAN FUND.**—Amount received from Executor of the Estate of Sarah B. Ehrman, of Cincinnati, in compromise of a bequest under said will, authorized by the Convention (Minute 54, *Journal* of 1894): “On the express condition that the said General Convention shall hold, manage, and use the said money in accordance with the provision of the will and codicil of Sarah B. Ehrman, for the general New-Church uses, such as Mission Work, *The Messenger*, publishing of New-Church Books, or any other use-

ful work of the New Church, the Convention deciding what is best." \$2,500.

Applied to the *New-Church Messenger*.—*JOURNAL*, 1902, Minute 162.

LEHNEN FUND.—Bequest under will of John Jacob Lehnen. Amount, \$500. For educational and religious purposes. Increased by income to \$935.66.

HAMMATT FUND.—Donation by Miss Anna C. P. Hammatt, of New Bedford, Mass., received in 1896 from Mr. Benjamin Worcester, in whose hands it had been left by donor. Income to be applied to supplying New-Church periodicals, preferably *The Messenger*, to persons unable to subscribe for them. Amount, \$400.—*JOURNAL*, 1896, Minute 87.

KENDALL FUND.—Legacy under will of Henry Kendall, of Cincinnati, O., amounting to \$2,879, to be applied to "missionary, tract, and publication purposes."

One-half the income applied to *New-Church Messenger*.—*JOURNAL*, 1902, Minute 162.

FORD FUND.—Legacy of fifty shares Northern Railroad, New Hampshire, "For the uses and purposes to which the Convention may choose by vote to apply the same," taken at par of \$5,000.

Also twelve shares of Tremont Nail Company having no present market value.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1909,, Minute 98.) Accumulated Income, \$729.07.

OFFICER FUND.—Legacy of Alexander Officer, of Chicago, Ill., received March, 1898, \$1,000. "For the maintenance of the Missionary Work of the Convention, under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions."

M. E. DU PONT TRUST.—A deed of trust from Mrs. M. E. Du Pont, of Wilmington, Del., of five \$1,000 6 per cent. Bonds of the Johnstown (Pa.) Passenger Railway Company, to be held by the General Convention and to apply the income thereof through the Board of Home and Foreign Missions in payment, or partial payment, of the salary of the minister of the New-Church Society of Louisville, Ky. And if at any time there should be no minister employed by said Society, then the interest and income accruing on said property during the time in which there shall be no minister employed by the said Society, shall be invested and added to the principal of said fund and form a part thereof, so that the interest and income on the accumulated fund may be applied as above directed.

Increased by addition of income, while the Louisville Society

was without a minister, to \$5,630. Above bonds sold and five 5 per cent. Equitable Gas and Electric Co. Bonds bought.

**BARKER LEGACY.**—By the will of George M. Barker, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, the General Convention was to receive four thousand dollars, two thousand being for the benefit of the Theological School of the General Convention, the remaining two thousand for the support and maintenance of the missionary work of said General Convention. Owing to contest of the will, payments have been delayed. The Convention has received to May 1, 1910, after deducting expenses, \$2,599.57.

**WENTZ FUND.**—A bequest of one thousand dollars in the will of Amelia L. Wentz, of Newburgh, N. Y., to be invested and held as a fund to be known as the "Wentz Fund," and its income to be applied to the general uses of the Convention. The amount was reduced by legacy tax to \$952.50. By credit of income increased to \$1,000.

**Lowe Fund.**—Legacy of Lewis G. Lowe, received Sept. 28, 1900, \$2,000. "Income to be used for the maintenance of the missionary work of the Convention under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions."

**KIMBALL FUND.**—A bequest to the General Convention of one thousand dollars, in the will of Rufus C. Kimball, of Brockton, Mass., "for the maintenance of its missionary work under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions." Received April 24, 1903. \$1,000.

**MORRISON FUND.**—Extract from the will of Mary A. Morrison, of Newburgh, N. Y.: "Eleventh—I give and bequeath the sum of two thousand dollars unto the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, a Corporation created under the laws of the State of Illinois, to be invested by said Corporation and designated and known as 'The Mary A. Morrison Fund,' the income to be derived therefrom only to be used and expended as said Convention may direct."

The bequest as received from the estate was reduced by the amount of the legacy tax to \$1,905.

**CHASE LEGACY.**—Extract from the will of Louisa L. Chase: "Thirdly, after the decease of myself and my sisters aforesaid, my said trustee is to pay over all that may be remaining of my estate to the Treasurer of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem Church in the United States, said sum to be expended in publishing and printing the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg and collateral writings of the New Jerusalem Church approved by said Convention."

The amount realized under this bequest, including accumulated income, is \$661.11.

**EMERSON FUND.**—Extract from the will of Susan J. Emerson, of Boston, Mass.: “I. I give and bequeath to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States five hundred (500) dollars to be placed in the Endowment Fund for the use of the Missionary Board.”

The proceeds of Mrs. Emerson’s estate permitted only \$280 of the amount to be paid to the Convention.

**WASHINGTON MISSION FUND FOR WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.**—Proceeds of the sale of property in Washington City, and one-half of Mary P. Ropes legacy, amounting to \$5,178.20.

**MARY P. ROPES FUND.**—By the terms of the will of Mary P. Ropes the income of the specific legacy is to be divided equally between the Board of Publication, the Board of Missions, and the Theological School. The present investment consists of 327 shares Boston & Albany Railroad Stock, valued at \$73,575. See Treasurer’s Report, 1909.

**ELIZA O. ROPES FUND.**—By the terms of the will of Eliza O. Ropes the income of the specific legacy is to be divided annually among the Board of Publication, the Board of Missions, and the Theological School for their respective work. The present investment consists of 328 shares of Boston and Albany Railroad stock valued at ..... \$78,800.00

In addition to the foregoing, the following cash legacies

were given by the testatrix:—

For the Ministers’ Aid Fund (noted under heading Pension Fund) .....	10,000.00
For the Orphan Fund (preferably for children of New- Church parentage) .....	5,000.00
For the Endowment Fund of the Board of Missions... .	5,000.00
For the Endowment of the <i>New-Church Messenger</i> ... .	10,000.00
	\$103,800.00

See Treasurer’s Report, 1909.

**DAVID L. WEBSTER FUND.**—A legacy of \$10,000, given by David L. Webster, of Boston, to the Convention without restrictions.

**DORINDA N. SHEPARD FUND.**—Under the will of Mrs. Dorinda N. Shepard, there has been received on account of the Legacy to the Convention, without restrictions, the sum of \$4,910.00. Upon the death of another beneficiary, having a life interest, a small additional sum will be received.

LEWIS RYDER FUND.—A legacy of \$1,000, given by Lewis Ryder to the Convention without restrictions.

THEODORE F. WRIGHT FUND.—A legacy of \$2,000 for missionary purposes.

WILLIAM DONALDSON FUND.—The will of William Donaldson provided for a gift of \$10,000.00 "for the maintenance of the missionary work of the Convention in the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions."

Unfortunately this estate proved smaller than was anticipated and the sum of \$1,989.70 has been received as full payment of this legacy.

HENRY SIEBERT FUND.—A legacy of \$500.00 given by Henry Siebert "the income therefrom to be available for the uses of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions of the General Convention."

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*A statement of the investment of the above funds will be found on pages 35-37 of this Journal.*

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THE PENSION FUND.—For the relief of aged and needy ministers, their widows and minor children. Established by the General Convention (see JOURNAL, 1905, Minutes 79-81, also pp. 63-65, and JOURNAL, 1906, Minutes 28, 97.) The principal of this fund on April 1, 1911 amounted to \$17,693.49. (See Report of the Trustees of said Fund, JOURNAL, 1911, page 100.)

THE ORPHANAGE FUND.—First: For the support, care, and education, under New-Church influences so far as practicable, of minor children of New-Church parentage, both parents being deceased.

Second: Of such minor children, one parent being deceased.

Third: Of any other orphans or needy children as the Board of Trustees may prescribe or Convention direct. (JOURNAL, 1907, Minutes, 109, 110. Amount of Fund, May 1, 1911, \$5,577.24. See Treasurer's report.)

### Other Funds for Convention Uses but Not Held by the Treasurer of Convention.

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RICE FUND.—Legacy of Dr. Chas. D. Rice, of Maine, received in 1858. “\$5,000 to Sampson Reed, Leader of the Boston Society, or his successor in office, to be appropriated by the General Convention when it meets in Boston only.” Now held by Benjamin Pettee, Trustee.

By resolution adopted by Convention, in Boston, June 14, 1905, the income, until otherwise ordered, is to be applied to the distribution of New-Church literature and to fitting up and replenishing the library of the Theological School.

*A statement of the investment of the above fund will be found on page 95 of this Journal.*

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ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE BOARD OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.— Collected by legacies and donations. See JOURNAL of 1888, Minute 42, inviting contributions from the members of the church for its augmentation. Held by the Treasurer of the Board. JOURNAL, 1897, Page 84. Present amount of Fund, \$10,949.28.

*See pages 82 to 86 of this Journal for investment of said Fund and information as to Fund held by the Board for the Savannah New-Church Society, and the British Guiana Mission.*

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ROTCH FUND.—Legacy of Lydia S. Rotch, received Sept. 24, 1863, \$14,250.

Held by Trustees appointed under her will with power to appoint and fill vacancies. To be used and applied at their joint discretion for the benefit of the General Convention (see JOURNAL of 1888, pages 42, 43)

*See page 106 of this Journal for statement of property on hand.*

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NEW-CHURCH BUILDING FUND.—Held by Trustees elected by the Convention pursuant to Resolution adopted in 1875, Minute 107, for the purpose of aiding societies in erecting New-Church places of worship in America.

Total assets, \$5,949.01.

*See page 94 of this Journal.*

### Invested Funds of the New-Church Theological School.

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THE ENDOWMENT FUND was raised in accordance with the Resolutions, Minute 48, JOURNAL of 1880.

The total amount of this Fund is \$68,585.07, the income of which is used for the current support of the School.

THE CAMBRIDGE REAL-ESTATE FUND was subscribed "for the purchase of the Sparks Estate in Cambridge, for a permanent location of the School," as per the Report of the Corporation to Convention in 1889. The amount of this fund is \$25,094.35.

THE HAYDEN ENDOWMFNT FUND was bequeathed to the School by the Rev. Wm. B. Hayden (\$25,930.34), and Mrs. Wm. B. Hayden (\$3,332.28), which, with gain on stocks and bonds sold (\$1,377.59), amounts in all to \$30,640.21.

THE ASA WEEKS FUND was bequeathed by Asa Weeks, of Laconia, N. H., to Trustees, for the benefit of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, to be devoted to the endowment of a college of learning for the benefit and under control of aforesaid Convention.

The Supreme Court of New Hampshire, May, 1899, decreed that the amount be paid by the Trustees to the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, to be kept by said Corporation as a separate fund to be known as the Asa Weeks Fund, to be safely invested by said Corporation in securities recognized in law as suitable for the investment of trust funds and that the principal of said fund shall be forever kept intact. The income only of said fund may from time to time be expended by said Corporation for its educational purposes, while and so long as it shall continue to maintain a school under the control of said General Convention.

The principal of this fund is \$6,441.74.

THE HENRY C. THACHER FUND was a gift to the Corporation from the widow and children of Mr. Thacher, "to be kept securely invested, and the income received from said fund to be expended for the general purposes and uses of the New-Church Theological School." Amount, \$10,000.

THE LYDIA WORCESTER FUND was bequeathed to Trustees for the benefit of the School, with the power, if it seemed best, to place

the fund in the hands of the Corporation. The surviving Trustee, the Rev. James Reed, transferred the property to the Corporation April 25, 1901. The property at this time consisted in part of real estate, which was sold at a loss from its estimated value. The amount of the fund is now \$18,922.50.

**ROMANZO P. BOYNTON FUND.**—This was a bequest of R. P. Boynton, of West Townshend, Vt. The amount received, after deducting attorneys' fees and expenses, was \$1,683.21.

**ELIZABETH TALBOTT LEGACY.**—A bequest (\$2,000) of Elizabeth Talbott, of Indianapolis, Indiana. The amount received, after deducting attorneys' fees and expenses, was \$1,948.03.

**ELOCUTION DEPARTMENT ENDOWMENT FUND.**—Eight hundred shares preferred stock United Traction Co., Pittsburg, Pa., received from an anonymous donor, April 26, 1901, to establish and endow a chair or professorship of elocution. Par value, \$40,000.

**CHAPEL BUILDING FUND.**—Sundry contributions received for the purpose of building a Chapel on the grounds of the School at Cambridge, now amounting to \$26,368.60. Purchase Fund for additional land, \$5,010.

**FRANCES R. GIBSON FUND.**—Net proceeds of Sale of house on Beacon Street, Boston, bequeathed by Mrs. Frances R. Gibson, of Boston, amounting to \$18,355.04.

**THEODORE F. WRIGHT FUND.**—A legacy of \$2,000, bequeathed by Rev. Theodore F. Wright.

**ELIZA O. ROPES FUND.**—A legacy of \$10,000 bequeathed by Eliza O. Ropes.

**SOPHIA KNIGHT FUND.**—A legacy of \$1,000 bequeathed by Sophia Knight.

**HENRY SIEBERT FUND.**—A legacy of \$500 bequeathed by Henry Siebert.

The total amount of these funds is \$273,945.57.

*A statement of the investment of these funds will be found on pages 65 and 66 of this Journal.*

### **Invested Funds of the New-Church Board of Publication.**

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**THE NEW-CHURCH MESSENGER FUND.**—Invested for the benefit of *The Messenger*, see JOURNAL, 1888, Minute 30. Interest only to be expended. For terms of subscription see report of the Board, JOURNAL, 1889, page 34. Principal, \$18,439.70.

**THE MRS. LYDIA HELENA HAWORTH McDONALD FUND.**—This fund was received in July, 1888, from the Executor of Mrs. McDonald, as a permanent fund to be known by the above title, the interest of which is to be devoted to the uses of the Board forever. See report of the Board, JOURNAL, 1889, page 33. Principal, \$7,300.

**THE CAPTAIN WHITE FUND.**—Principal, \$1,900.

**THE SARAH C. BENNETT FUND.**—A legacy of \$5,000.

*A statement of the investment of these funds will be found on pages 90-93 of this Journal.*

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### **Swedenborg Memorial Fund.**

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A fund collected by general contributions, "for the ultimate purpose of building in the City of Stockholm, in Sweden, a church which may stand as a memorial of the establishment of the Lord's New Church through Emanuel Swedenborg." Held by Rev. Frank Sewall, Gideon Boericke, and James Richard Carter, Treasurer, Trustees appointed by the General Convention through its General Council. As to the manner of the disposition of the Fund, for the purpose named, the Trustees consider themselves subject to the instructions of the Convention. Amount of Fund on May 1, 1911, \$5,814.30. (*Journal*, 1884, Minute 103; *Journal*, 1885, Minutes 22, 117, and pp. 23, 24, 99; *Journal*, 1886, p. 93; *Journal*, 1901, p. 48; *Journal*, 1905, p. 57; *Journal*, 1908, Minute 36 and pages 120, 121.)

### Bodies Composing the General Convention.

#### THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.

*President*.—Rev. Joseph S. David, 1640 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, California.

*Secretary*.—Mr. John C. Perry, R. F. D., No. 1, Highland Calif.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. Samuel McLaughlin, 450 E. 10th St., Los Angeles, California.

*Societies*.—Los Angeles, Riverside, San Diego, San Francisco (O'Farrell Street). 4.

#### THE CANADA ASSOCIATION.

*Presiding Minister*.—Rev. E. D. Daniels, 15 Water St. N., Berlin, Ont., Canada.

*Secretary*.—Mr. J. B. McLachlin, 12 Cunningham Ave., Toronto, Ont., Canada.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. Chas. Ruby, 275 King St., West, Berlin, Ont., Canada.

*Societies*.—Berlin, Hamilton, Montreal, Toronto. 4.

#### THE ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.

*Presiding Minister*.—Rev. John S. Saul, 501 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill.

*Secretary*.—Rev. L. G. Landenberger, 3741 Windsor Place, St. Louis, Mo.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. C. H. Cutler, 501 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill.

*Societies*.—Canton, Chicago, Henry, Jefferson, Wis., Joliet, La Porte, Ind., Olney, Osage County, Kas., Peoria, Pittsfield, Pontiac, St. Louis, Mo., Springfield, Union City, Tenn., Wellsville, Mo., Wilmington. 16.

#### THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION.

*Presiding Minister*.—Rev. George E. Morgan, Peabody, Kan.

*Secretary*.—Mr. Dan C. Krehbiel, Pretty Prairie, Kan.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. John Schmidt, Pretty Prairie, Kan.

*Societies*.—Pawnee Rock, Pretty Prairie. 2.

#### THE MAINE ASSOCIATION.

*President*.—Rev. Baman N. Stone, Fryeburg, Me.

*Secretary*.—Mr. Arthur B. Stearns, Bath, Me.

*Treasurer.*—Mr. Walter A. Robinson, 36 Jason St., Arlington, Massachusetts.

*Societies.*—Bath, Fryeburg, Portland. 3.

#### THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.

*General Pastor.*—Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., 1618 Riggs Place, Washington, D. C.

*Secretary.*—Mr. George Pausch, 1034 East North Ave., Baltimore, Maryland.

*Treasurer.*—Mr. Chas. A. Barnard, 416 5th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

*Societies.*—Baltimore (English), Baltimore (German), Easton, Preston, Md., Richmond, Va., Washington, D. C., and Wilmington, Delaware. 7.

#### THE MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.

*General Pastor.*—Rev. James Reed, 12 Louisburg Square, Boston, Massachusetts.

*Secretary.*—Mr. John Daboll, Clark Lane, Waltham, Mass.

*Treasurer.*—Mr. A. P. Carter, 60 State St., Boston, Mass.

*Societies.*—Abington, Boston, Boston Highlands, Bridgewater, Brockton, Brookline, Cambridge, Contoocook, N. H., East Bridgewater, Fall River, Lancaster, Manchester, N. H., Mansfield, Newtonville, Providence, R. I., Salem, Springfield, Waltham, and Yarmouth. 19.

#### THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.

*Presiding Minister.*—Rev. S. S. Seward, 205 Wendell Ave., Pittsfield, Mass.

*Secretary.*—Mr. B. G. A. Laitner, 165 Englewood Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

*Treasurer.*—Mr. Henry Wunsch, Moffatt Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

*Societies.*—Almont, Detroit, Grand Rapids. 3.

#### THE NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.

*Presiding Minister.*—Rev. Julian K. Smyth, 230 West 59th St., New York City.

*Secretary.*—Mr. John F. Seekamp, 192 Montague St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Treasurer.*—Mr. S. L'hommedieu, 490 A. Monroe St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Societies.*—Brooklyn, Brooklyn (German 1st and 2nd), Buffalo, Hoboken, New York, New York (German), Orange, N. J., Paterson, N. J., and Riverhead. 9.

## THE OHIO ASSOCIATION.

*General Pastor.*—Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, Oak & Winslow Sts., Cincinnati, Ohio.

*Secretary.*—Rev. John R. Hunter, 13214 Forest Hill Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

*Treasurer.*—Mr. J. L. Wayne, Jr., 633 Forest Ave., Avondale, Cincinnati, Ohio.

*Societies.*—Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Glendale, Indianapolis, Ind., Lakewood, Louisville, Ky., Toledo, and Urbana. 10.

## THE PACIFIC COAST ASSOCIATION.

No Officers.

*Societies.*—Portland, Ore., San Francisco (Society of the New Jerusalem.) 2.

## THE PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.

*President.*—Rev. John W. MacPherson, 4508 Frankford Ave., Frankford, Pa.

*Secretary.*—Mr. Ezra Hyde Alden, Arcade Bldg., Phila., Pa.

*Treasurer.*—Mr. Herbert G. Stockwell, Land Title Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

*Societies.*—Fishing Creek Valley, Frankford, Lancaster, Montgomery's Ferry, Philadelphia, Pittsburg and Vineland, N. J. 7.

## THE GERMAN SYNOD OF THE NEW CHURCH.

*President.*—Rev. Adolph Roeder, 80 Cleveland St., Orange, N. J.

*Secretary.*—Rev. C. A. Nussbaum, 4530 McPherson Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

*Treasurer.*—Mr. F. H. Beimes, 3113 Rauschenbach Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

*Societies.*—St. Louis, Mo. (German), Gruetli, Tenn., Marengo, Tenn., Polk, Ore., and Portland, Ore. 5.

## SOCIETIES.

Connecticut Association .....	admitted	1884
Denver, Colo., Society .....	"	1879
Iowa General Society .....	"	1890
Jacksonville, Fla., Society .....	"	1891
St. Paul, Minn., Society .....	"	1911
Savannah, Ga., Society .....	"	1881
Texas General Society .....	"	1890

### Statistical Table of Membership and Representatives.

<b>Associations.</b>	<b>No. Societies</b>	<b>No. Ministers</b>	<b>No. Members</b>	<b>Delegate Representation</b>
California .....	4	5	203	6
Canada .....	5	2	197	5
Illinois .....	15	10	906	20
Kansas .....	2	4	150	5
Maine .....	3	2	134	4
Maryland .....	7	6	411	10
Massachusetts .....	19	23	1694	35
Michigan .....	3	2	172	5
New York .....	10	9	595	13
Ohio .....	10	8	750	17
Pacific Coast .....	2	1	94*	3
Pennsylvania .....	7	7	662	15
The German Synod of the New Church .....	5	0	120*	4
Connecticut .....	1	1	60*	3
Denver, Colo., Society ...	1	1	31	2
Iowa General Society ...	1	0	50	3
Jacksonville, Fla., Society	1	0	13	2
Savannah, Ga., Society...	1	0	15	2
Texas General Society...	1	0	100*	4
St. Paul Society .....	1	1	39	2
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>6396</b>	<b>160</b>

\*Estimated.

### Recapitulation.

Ministers reporting through Associations or Societies.....	82
Other ministers connected with the Convention.....	19
Ministerial membership .....	101
Delegate representation .....	160
Voting membership.....	261
Authorized Candidates and Preachers .....	6

Note.—The above table shows the membership of Convention, but does not include all believers in the doctrines of the New Church in this country, among whom there are several thousand who, by reason of isolation as to residence, are not connected with organized societies of the church.

**Ministers of the General Convention.****Chronological List.****GENERAL PASTORS.**

1. John Faulkner Potts, Bryn Athyn, Pa., ordained Oct. 16, 1866; consecrated Aug. 13, 1882.
2. John Goddard, 52 Brookside Ave., Newtonville, Mass., ordained Feb. 4, 1866; invested with the office June 3, 1883.
3. Frank Sewall, D. D., 1618 Riggs Pl., Washington, D. C., ordained Aug. 23, 1863; invested with the office May 28, 1893.
4. William Loring Worcester, 16 Francis Ave., Cambridge, Mass., ordained Dec. 13, 1885; invested with the office June 4, 1899.
5. James Reed, 12 Louisburg Sq., Boston, Mass., ordained April 1, 1860; invested with the office May 27, 1900.
6. John Sargon Saul, 501 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill., ordained Oct. 17, 1872; temporarily invested with the powers of General Pastor Feb. 21, 1905.
7. Samuel S. Seward, 205 Wendell Ave., Pittsfield, Mass., ordained Oct. 15, 1869; invested with the office June 13, 1908.
8. Julian K. Smyth, 230 West 59th St., New York, N. Y., ordained Jan. 5, 1879; invested with the office Feb. 22, 1909.
9. Louis George Hoeck, Oak and Winslow Sts., Cincinnati, Ohio, ordained June 10, 1894; invested with the office May 22, 1910.

**PASTORS AND MINISTERS.**

10. John Curtis Ager, 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass..... Ordained Sept. 16, 1860
11. C. Louis Carriere, 2128 St. Louis Ave., St. Louis, Mo..... " May 4, 1862
12. Edward C. Mitchell, 534 Summit Ave., St. Paul, Minn..... " Nov. 27, 1862
13. Charles Hardon, Contoocook, N. H..... " Dec. 4, 1864
14. Charles H. Mann, 18 Badeau Ave., Summit, N. J..... " Oct. 9, 1867
15. Joseph Worcester, 1080 Vallejo St., San Francisco, Cal..... " Nov. 8, 1867
16. Berry Edmiston, 533 Grand Ave., Riverside, Cal..... " May 1, 1870

17. Stephen Jepson, 271 Belmont St., Fall River, Mass.....	Ordained Aug. 18, 1872
18. Horace W. Wright, 107 Pinckney St., Boston, Mass.....	" Oct. 15, 1874
19. James M. Shepherd, Pontiac, Mich....	" June 3, 1877
20. Jacob Kimm, Box 28, Pine City, Wash....	" Oct. 23, 1877
21. William A. L. Campbell, 1402 34th St., Galveston, Texas .....	" June 22, 1879
22. Orson L. Barler, Beatrice, Neb.....	" Nov. 1, 1879
23. D. Vinton Bowen, 40 Belcher St., Wintrop, Mass.....	" April 8, 1880
24. Adolph Roeder, 80 Cleveland St., Orange, N. J.....	" April 25, 1880
25. John Whitehead, 57 Dana St., Cambridge, Mass.....	" June 6, 1880
26. Howard C. Dunham, 1620 Clarkson St., Denver, Colo.....	" Aug. 29, 1880
27. George Lawrence Allbutt, 3005 Pennsylvania Ave., Baltimore, Md.....	" Oct. 20, 1880
28. Thomas A. King, 15 Mars Ave., Lakewood, Ohio.....	" Mar. 27, 1881
29. Jacob E. Werren, 1667 Cambridge St., Cambridge, Mass.....	" Mar. 26, 1882
30. Joseph S. David, 1640 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, Cal.....	" April 6, 1882
31. Baman N. Stone, Fryeburg, Me.....	" Aug. 27, 1882
32. Eugene D. Daniels, 15 Water St., Berlin, Ontario, Canada.....	" June 3, 1883
33. William H. Schliffer, 12 St. Mark's Place, New York, N. Y.....	" June 10, 1883
34. Eugene J. E. Schreck, 6953 Stewart Ave., Chicago, Ill.....	" June 10, 1883
35. John T. V. Croy, Spring Valley, San Diego Co., Cal.....	" Feb. 15, 1885
36. Henry Clinton Hay, 26 Coolidge St., Boulevard Station, Boston, Mass...	" Oct. 1, 1885
37. William Diehl, 148 Cornelia St., Brooklyn, N. Y.....	" Dec. 20, 1885
38. Gardner I. Ward, Contoocook, N. H....	" Feb. 8, 1886
39. Henry H. Grant, Kennedy Heights, Cincinnati, Ohio.....	" May 30, 1886
40. Frank Levi Higgins, Fairhope, Ala....	" May 30, 1886
41. John Edward Smith, 512 South 47th St., Philadelphia, Pa.....	" May 30, 1886
42. George Stevens Wheeler, 65 Grove St., Bridgewater, Mass.....	" May 20, 1888

43.	William M. MacIntosh, Peach Blossom, near Easton, Md., R. F. D., No. 4...Ordained Feb.	22, 1889
44.	George Henry Dole, 415 Delaware Ave., Wilmington, Del.....	" Oct. 6, 1889
45.	Louis G. Landenberger, 3741 Windsor Pl., St. Louis, Mo.....	" Jan. 10, 1890
46.	Junius B. Spiers, 901 West Main St., Richmond, Va.....	" June 14, 1890
47.	Percy Billings, 28 Palmerston Square, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.....	" June 14, 1890
48.	Albert Bjorck, 40 W. 28th St., New York City.....	" Aug. 17, 1890
49.	Benjamin P. Unruh, Pawnee Rock, Kan.....	" Oct. 12, 1890
50.	Louis Rich, 342 West 70th St., Chicago, Ill.....	" Dec. 14, 1890
51.	John W. MacPherson, 4508 Frankford Ave., Frankford, Pa.....	" May 24, 1891
52.	Charles Augustus Nussbaum, 4530 Mc- Pherson Ave., St. Louis, Mo.....	" Nov. 18, 1891
53.	Clarence Lathbury, Elmwood, Mass...	" April 7, 1892
54.	Adam Bouse Dolly, Horton, West Va..	" Feb. 26, 1893
55.	Lewis Field Hite, 22 Mt. Pleasant St., Cambridge, Mass.....	" May 28, 1893
56.	John R. Stephenson, Sandusky and Pearl Sta., North Side, Pittsburg, Pa.....	" June 19, 1893
57.	Hiram Vrooman, 16 Bridgman St., Providence, R. I.....	" Feb. 22, 1894
58.	H. F. von K. Crownfield, 13 Washington Terrace, New York, N. Y.....	" July 2, 1894
59.	Ferdinand Muhlert, 720 East 32nd St., Brooklyn, N. Y.....	" Nov. 25, 1894
60.	Albert B. Francisco, 3248 Pierce Ave., Chicago, Ill.....	" April 28, 1895
61.	William H. Adkins, Winslow, Ark.....	" May 16, 1895
62.	Samuel Worcester, Moss Hill Villa, So. Norwalk, Conn.....	" June 4, 1896
63.	Soren Christian Brønniche, Boyesgade St., Copenhagen, Denmark.....	" Oct. 4, 1896
64.	William Paul Harthill, Pine City, Washington.....	" July 18, 1897
65.	Chauncey Giles Hubbell, Lexington, Mass.....	" Oct. 16, 1897
66.	James Taylor, Hingham, Mass.....	" April 7, 1898
67.	Frank August Gustafson, Rockford, Ill.	" Mar. 19, 1899

68. Charles W. Harvey, The Margrave, 20th and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.....	Ordained June 10, 1900
69. George Wengel, Fort Hunter, Pa.....	" June 17, 1900
70. Alexander Henry, 2731 Franklin St., Denver, Col.....	" Sept. 16, 1900
71. Russell Eaton, Urbana, Ohio.....	" Sept. 16, 1900
72. James Edward Thomas, 217 North 18th St., Birmingham, Ala.....	" Sept. 16, 1900
73. Abraham Knobel, 155 North Jane Ave., Louisville, Ky.....	" June 2, 1901
74. Arthur Mercer, 278 Carlton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.....	" Dec. 15, 1901
75. Klaas Peters, Waldeck, Saskatchewan, Canada.....	" July 18, 1902
76. Peter Hiebert, Chaplin, Saskatchewan, Canada.....	" July 18, 1902
77. Herbert Center Small, 2333 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis, Ind.....	" July 20, 1902
78. John Ramsey Hunter, 13214 Forest Hill Ave., Cleveland, O.....	" Nov. 2, 1902
79. A. H. Huxmann, Pretty Prairie, Kan..	Recognized June 27, 1903
80. Clyde Washburn Broomell, R. F. D. 2, Canton, Mass.....	Ordained Oct. 18, 1903
81. John Wesley Stockwell, 10 Wall St., New York, N. Y, .....	" Dec. 1, 1903
82. Paul Sperry, 25 Fuller St., Brockton, Mass.....	" Aug. 27, 1905
83. Thomas French, Jr., Sierre Madre, Los Angeles, Cal.....	" Sept. 17, 1905
84. George Gay Daniel, 36 Franklin St., Selma, Ala.....	" May 20, 1906
85. Eli Wilkinson Shields, 672 Onachita St., Hot Springs, Ark.....	" Oct. 7, 1906
86. Gaston John Fercken, Curepipe Rd., Mauritius Island.....	" Oct. 28, 1906
87. Harold Sargent Conant, 714 East 21st St., Baltimore, Md.....	" Jan. 6, 1907
88. Adolf Ludwig Goerwitz, 10 Sonnegg Str., Zurich, IV., Switzerland.....	" May 19, 1907
89. Everett K. Bray, Lock Box 437, Tampa, Fla.....	" Oct. 20, 1907
90. George E. Morgan, Peabody, Kan.....	" Dec. 8, 1907
91. Warren Goddard, 89 Prospect St., Fall River, Mass.....	" April 12, 1908

92. Robert S. Fischer, 2129 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.....	Ordained Nov.	6, 1908
93. Charles Edgar Ritter, Winchester Chambers, Springfield, Mass.....	" Nov.	8, 1908
94. Charles S. Mack, M. D., 2353 Maplewood Ave., Toledo, O.....	" Dec.	10, 1908
95. Jean Paul Dresser, 423 West 43rd St., New York, N. Y.....	" June	27, 1909
96. Jacob Schroeder, Larned, Kan.....	" July	18, 1909
97. William Frederick Wunsch, 64 Pearl St., Bath, Me.....	" Sept.	5, 1909
98. Maro F. Underwood, M. D., 1427 4th St., San Diego, Cal.....	" May	22, 1910
99. E. M. Lawrence Gould, 59 Highland Ave., Newtonville, Mass.....	" June	9, 1910
100. Axel Lundeberg, 1222 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.....	" Nov.	6, 1911
101. Abraham Simons, 831 E. 39th St., Chicago, Ill.....	" Nov.	6, 1911

## AUTHORIZED CANDIDATES AND PREACHERS.

102. Nelson Henry Claffin, M. D., 1640 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, Cal...	Authorized Aug.	1, 1902
103. Horace H. Werren, Center Lowell, Me.....	" April	19, 1906
104. T. Mower Martin, 225 Cottingham St., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.....	" June	9, 1910
105. John H. Enns, Rosenort, Manitoba, Canada.....	" July	31, 1909
106. Rodney D. Book, M. D., 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.....	" May	15, 1910
107. Leslie Eric Wethey, 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.....	" June	26, 1911

## Alphabetical List.

The numbers refer to the Chronological List, where date of ordination or authorization is given.

61. Adkins, William H., Winslow, Ark.
16. Ager, John Curtis, 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.
27. Allbutt, G. Lawrence, 3005 Pennsylvania Ave., Baltimore, Md.
22. Barler, Orson L., Beatrice, Neb.
47. Billings, Percy, 28 Palmerston Square, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
48. Bjorck, Albert, 40 W. 28th St., New York, N. Y.

106. Book, Rodney D., M. D., 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.
23. Bowen, D. Vinton, 40 Belcher St., Winthrop, Mass.
89. Bray, Everett K., Lock Box 487, Tampa, Fla.
63. Bronniche, Soren Christian, Boyesgade St., Copenhagen, Denmark.
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(Referred by Convention. See *Journal*, 1908, Minute 101.)

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Authorized by Convention to publish its plans and carry on its work. (*Journal*, 1905, Minute 158.)

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(See By-Law 22; also *Journal*, 1893, Minutes 35, 36, 52 and 76.)

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(JOURNAL, 1909, Minute 150.)

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(JOURNAL, 1894, Minutes 24, 61, 82, 116-118.)

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(*JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 69.)

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(*JOURNAL*, 1905, Minutes 79-81.)

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(*JOURNAL*, 1907, Minutes 12, 109, 110.)

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(JOURNAL, 1891, Minutes 88-95; JOURNAL, 1896, Minutes 81, 82;  
JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 169.)

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(JOURNAL, 1909, Minutes 56, 57.)  
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(JOURNAL, 1906, Minutes 36, 61.)

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**To Audit the Treasurer's Account.**  
(JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 169.)

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(JOURNAL, 1884, Minute 103; JOURNAL, 1885, Minutes 22, 117, and  
pp. 23, 24, 99; JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 169.)

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(JOURNAL, 1889, Minute 48.)

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(JOURNAL, 1891, Minute 94; JOURNAL, 1892, Minute 107; JOURNAL,  
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(JOURNAL, 1905, Minutes 151, 185.)

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(JOURNAL, 1899, Minutes 126, 127; JOURNAL, 1901, Minute 189.)

Appointment of James Richard Carter as Attorney in fact.

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(JOURNAL, 1897, Minutes 24, 25; JOURNAL, 1898, Minutes, 19, 21;  
JOURNAL, 1899, Minute 85; JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 169.)

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(JOURNAL, 1906, Minute 154.)

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(JOURNAL, 1910, Minute 54.)

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**Matters Referred to Officers and Committees.***To the President.*

1. To visit State Associations. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 85.)

*To Secretaries.*

1. To prepare a Roll of Deceased Ministers for 1915 *JOURNAL*. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 20.)
2. To have printed for distribution 300 extra copies of Revision of Constitution and By-Laws. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 132.)

*To the General Council.*

1. Reorganization of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 41, 55-59, 64, 65; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 127.)
2. Report and Draft of Revised Constitution of Convention, also referred to Council of Ministers. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 101, 102.)
3. Memorial church buildings in Stockholm. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 36; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 31.)
4. Gift of De Luxe edition of Swedenborg's Works. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 125; *JOURNAL*, 1910, Minutes 53, 65, 66, 79-81.)
5. The President of Convention to be declared acting General Pastor for all parts of Convention not in the jurisdiction of a General Pastor of an Association. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 111.)
6. Distribution through Literary Bureau of pamphlet, "The Great Thinker." (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 119.)
7. Appropriation of money for expert service in reaching press during the annual sessions of Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 120.)

*To the Council of Ministers.*

1. Translation of the Word. (*JOURNAL*, 1877, Minutes 47-49; *JOURNAL*, 1892, Minute 18.)
2. Suggestion contained in report of Massachusetts Association of the need of a uniform creed. *JOURNAL*, 1900, Minute 23.)
3. Report and Draft of Revised Constitution of Convention, also referred to General Council. (*Journal*, 1908, Minutes 101, 102.)
4. Resolutions regarding teaching that Swedenborg's writings are the "Word of God." (*Journal*, 1911, Minute 126.)

*To the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.*

1. Reorganization of the Board of Missions jointly with the General Council. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 127.)
2. Increase of the Endowment Fund. (*JOURNAL*, 1890, Minute 72; *JOURNAL*, 1897, Minute 76.)
3. Employment of a General Missionary. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 128.)
4. Ministerial services, supply of, in outlying districts. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 60.)
5. Introduction of the Heavenly Doctrines into Japan, India, and into Latin, Spanish, and Portuguese countries. (*JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 175; *JOURNAL*, 1907, Minutes 105, 106; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 63.)

*To the New-Church Board of Publication.*

1. Publication of Sunday-school Manuals. (*JOURNAL*, 1890, Minute 65.)
2. Publication of Collection of Prayers and Rites. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 19.)
3. Publication of the Psalter. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 69.)

*To Trustees of Jungerich Publication Fund.*

1. Recommendation of gift of Brief Exposition of the Doctrines of the New Church in the Latin language to the Catholic clergy. (*JOURNAL*, 1901, Minute 35.)
2. Matter of publication of abridged edition of "True Christian Religion." (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 74.)

*To the Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts.*

1. Photolithographing the Manuscripts of Swedenborg. (*JOURNAL*, 1887, Minutes 29-39; *JOURNAL*, 1888, Minute 93; *JOURNAL*, 1891 Minute 88; *JOURNAL*, 1896, Minutes 31, 32.)
2. Authority to make contracts for Photolithographing the Manuscripts of Swedenborg and draw on available funds. (*JOURNAL*, 1896, Minute 68.)
3. Contributions for publishing the Scientific and Philosophic Writings of Swedenborg. (*JOURNAL*, 1901, Minutes 69, 73.)
4. Report on Mr. Stroh's research and editorial work to be made directly to Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minutes 91-94.)

*To the Literary Bureau.*

1. Advertising Swedenborg's Theological Works. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 100, 110; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minutes 56, 57.)

*To the National Committee on House of Worship  
in Washington, D. C.*

1. Instructed to co-operate with the Washington Society in the prosecution of the work of building the National New Church. (JOURNAL, 1894, Minute 120; JOURNAL, 1896, Minutes 88, 89; JOURNAL, 1906, Minutes 99, 100, 117.)
2. To complete Sunday-School Building. (JOURNAL, 1911, Minute 14.)

*To the Committee on Transportation.*

1. Arrangements for reduced fares to Convention. (JOURNAL, 1889, Minute 126; JOURNAL, 1890, Minute 88; JOURNAL, 1891, Minute 94; JOURNAL, 1892, Minute 107.)

*To the Committee on Business.*

1. To arrange for the official roll of Convention previous to the election of officers. (JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 111.)
2. Assignment of a complete day to the Sunday-School Association. (JOURNAL, 1909, Minute 185.)

**List of Places and Dates of the Meetings of the  
General Convention.**

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No. of Meeting	Place of Meeting	President.	Date of Meeting.
First .....	Philadelphia.	Rev. John Hargrove...	May 15-17.....1817
Second .....	Baltimore....	" " "	April 30-May 2, 1818
Third .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	May 11-13.....1820
Fourth .....	New York...	Rev. Lewis Beers.....	July 2-3 .....1821
Fifth .....	Philadelphia.	Rev. John Hargrove...	June 3-5 .....1822
Sixth .....	Baltimore....	" " "	June 5-7 .....1823
Seventh .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 3-5 .....1824
Eighth .....	New York...	" " "	June 1-3 .....1826
Ninth .....	Baltimore....	" " "	June 7-9 .....1827
Tenth .....	Boston.....	Rev. Maskell M. Carill..	Aug. 14-16.....1828
Eleventh .....	Boston.....	Rev. Lewis Beers.....	Aug. 13-15.....1829
Twelfth .....	Philadelphia.	Rev. John Hargrove...	June 3-5 .....1830
Thirteenth .....	New York...	" " "	June 2-4 .....1831
Fourteenth .....	Boston.....	Rev. Thomas Worcester	Aug. 16.....1832
Fifteenth .....	Boston.....	Rev. Lewis Beers.....	June 6-8 .....1833
Sixteenth .....	Philadelphia.	Rev. Charles I. Doughty	June 5-7 .....1834
Seventeenth .....	New York...	" " "	June 11-13.....1835
Eighteenth .....	Boston.....	" " "	June 16-18.....1836
Nineteenth .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 1-3 .....1837
Twenty-first .....	New York...	" " "	June 14-16.....1838
Twenty-First .....	Boston.....	Rev. Thomas Worcester	June 12-15.....1839
Twenty-Second .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 3-7 .....1840
Twenty-Third .....	New York...	" " "	June 2-4 .....1841
Twenty-Fourth .....	Boston.....	" " "	June 8-11.....1842
Twenty-Fifth .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 14-16.....1843
Twenty-Sixth .....	New York...	" " "	June 12-14.....1844
Twenty-Seventh .....	Boston.....	" " "	June 11-15.....1845
Twenty-Eighth .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 10-12.....1846
Twenty-Ninth .....	New York...	" " "	June 9-13.....1847
Thirtieth .....	Boston.....	" " "	June 14-19.....1848
Thirty-First .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 18-21.....1849
Thirty-Second .....	New York...	Rev. Maskell M. Carill.	June 12-15.....1850
Thirty-Third .....	Boston.....	Rev. Thomas Worcester	June 11-15.....1851
Thirty-Fourth .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 9-12.....1852
Thirty-Fifth .....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 8-12.....1853
Thirty-Sixth .....	Portland.....	" " "	June 21-26.....1854
Thirty-Seventh .....	Boston.....	" " "	June 27-July 1, 1855
Thirty-Eighth .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 4-8 .....1856
Thirty-Ninth .....	Cincinnati...	" " "	June 10-14.....1857
Fortieth .....	Boston.....	" " "	June 9-13.....1858
Forty-First .....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 8-12.....1859
Forty-Second .....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 20-24.....1860
Forty-Third .....	Boston.....	" " "	June 11-15.....1862

No. of Meeting	Place of Meeting	President.	Date of Meeting.
Forty-Fourth ..	Philadelphia.	Rev. Thomas Worcester	June 10-14.....1863
Forty-Fifth ....	New York...	" " "	June 8-12.....1864
Forty-Sixth ....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 14-18.....1865
Forty-Seventh ..	Boston.....	" " "	June 1-5 .....1866
Forty-Eighth ..	Cincinnati....	" " "	June 7-11.....1867
Forty-Ninth ....	Portland....	" " "	July 10-14.....1868
Fiftieth .....	New York...	" " "	June 16-20.....1869
Fifty-First ....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 17-21.....1870
Fifty-Second ...	Chicago.....	" " "	June 9-13.....1871
Fifty-Third ....	Boston.....	" " "	June 7-18.....1872
Fifty-Fourth ...	Cincinnati...	" " "	June 6-10.....1873
Fifty-Fifth ....	New York...	Rev. Chauncey Giles...	June 4-8 .....1875
Fifty-Sixth ....	Philadelphia.	" " "	June 9-13.....1876
Fifty-Seventh ..	Cincinnati...	" " "	June 1-5 .....1877
Fifty-Eighth ..	Boston.....	" " "	May 31-June 4, 1878
Fifty-Ninth ....	New York...	" " "	May 30-June 3, 1879
Sixtieth .....	Portland....	" " "	June 18-21.....1880
Sixty-First ....	Washington.	" " "	May 20-23.....1881
Sixty-Second ...	Chicago.....	" " "	June 9-13.....1882
Sixty-Third ....	Boston.....	" " "	June 1-5 .....1883
Sixty-Fourth ...	Philadelphia.	" " "	May 20-31.....1884
Sixty-Fifth ....	Cincinnati...	" " "	May 28-31.....1885
Sixty-Sixth ....	New York...	" " "	May 27-30.....1886
Sixty-Seventh ..	Detroit.....	" " "	June 9-12.....1887
Sixty-Eighth ..	Boston.....	" " "	May 19-22.....1888
Sixty-Ninth ....	Washington.	" " "	May 25-28.....1889
Seventieth ....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 21-24.....1890
Seventy-First ..	Philadelphia.	" " "	May 23-26.....1891
Seventy-Second Cincinnati...	" " "	" " "	May 14-17.....1892
Seventy-Third ..New York...	" " "	" " "	May 27-30.....1893
Seventy-Fourth Boston.....	Rev. John Worcester..	" " "	June 9-12.....1894
Seventy-Fifth ..Philadelphia.	" " "	" " "	June 1-4 .....1895
Seventy-Sixth ..Washington.	" " "	" " "	May 2-5 .....1896
Seventy-Seventh St. Louis....	" " "	" " "	May 15-18.....1897
Seventy-Eighth Cleveland....	" " "	" " "	June 11-14.....1898
Seventy-Ninth .Boston .....	" " "	" " "	June 3-6 .....1899
Eightieth ....Cincinnati....	Rev. Samuel S. Seward	" " "	May 26-29.....1900
Eighty-First ..Brooklyn....	" " "	" " "	June 1-4 .....1901
Eighty-Second ..Philadelphia.	" " "	" " "	May 24-27.....1902
Eighty-Third ..Chicago.....	" " "	" " "	June 27-30.....1903
Eighty-Fourth ..Washington.	" " "	" " "	May 21-24.....1904
Eighty-Fifth ..Boston.....	" " "	" " "	June 12-14.....1905
Eighty-Sixth ..Cincinnati....	" " "	" " "	May 19-22.....1906
Eighty-Seventh Philadelphia.	" " "	" " "	May 18-21.....1907
Eighty-Eighth .Cleveland and Lakewood, Ohio	Rev. Samuel S. Seward	" " "	June 18-17.....1908
Eighty-Ninth ..Brockton....	" " "	" " "	June 12-16.....1909
Ninetieth .....	New York....	" " "	May 21-25.....1910
Ninety-First ...Chicago.....	" " "	" " "	June 10-14.....1911

**Directory.****OF PLACES CONTAINING NEW-CHURCH SOCIETIES OR CIRCLES  
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THE NAMES OF MINISTERS OR LEADERS.**

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Hot Springs, Rev. Eli W. Shields, Minister, 318 Church St.

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Norway, Mr. J. William Schloeman.

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Secretary, R. F. D., Route No. 1, Osage City.

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Minister.

Peabody, Rev. Geo. E. Morgan.

Pretty Prairie.

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Louisville.

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Portland, cor. Stevens Ave. and Montrose St.

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## MASSACHUSETTS.

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logical School.****Elmwood, Plymouth County, East Bridgewater Society, Rev. Clar-  
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     Mack, Pastor, 2353 Maplewood Ave.  
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 Montgomery's Ferry, third Sunday in each month, Rev. J. E. Smith,  
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**Rosthern (German), Peter Classen, Leader.**  
**Waldeck, Rev. Klass Peters.**

**LIST OF SOCIETIES IN GREAT BRITAIN IN CONNECTION  
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*First.* The committee earnestly recommend that any person intending to make testamentary disposition of his or her property in favor of the General Convention, or any of its organized agencies in the various uses of the Church, should consult able counsel and be guided by them. The committee desire to call especial attention to this recommendation, and state as their reason for doing so, that the examination made by them of the very different laws of the several States absolutely demonstrates the utmost necessity for this course.

*Second.* They also submit the following technical suggestions: Unless perfectly certain that the laws of the State where the property is situate permit foreign corporations for charitable purposes to hold real estate, do not make devise of real estate to the Convention, or any of its various Boards, but make a bequest of a given amount of money or other personal property. But where the property to be disposed of consists in whole or in part of real estate, the will disposing of the same should contain an express direction to the executor to sell and convert the real estate to enable them to pay the legacies. This direction is absolutely necessary in the case of real estate situate in the States of California, Dakota, Delaware, Maryland, Mississippi, New York, Pennsylvania, and probably in other States.



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# General Convention of the New Jerusalem

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THROUGH TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1912.

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SATURDAY, May 11, 1912.

1. The ministers, delegates, and visitors at the Ninety-second Annual Session of the General Convention assembled in the National Church, 16th and Corcoran streets, Washington, D. C., at twelve o'clock, noon. Religious service was conducted by the Rev. Charles W. Harvey of Philadelphia; and the President of Convention, the Rev. Julian Kennedy Smyth, delivered the Annual Sermon upon the subject, "A Plea for the True Prosperity of the Church." (Ps. cxliv. 12-15.)

2. At the close of the service a recess for luncheon was taken until 2 p. m.

2 p. m.

3. The Convention was called to order by the President at 2 o'clock p. m.

4. The Secretary read Section 4 of the By-Laws, inviting all receivers of the doctrines of the New Church to participate in the deliberations of Convention.

5. The President appointed the following Credential Committee: Mr. Frederic Schoff, of Pennsylvania, chairman; Mr. John Daboll, of Massachusetts; and Mr. Charles Arthur Barnard, of Maryland.

6. It was *voted*, That the offerings of the Sunday morning service be devoted to the general uses of Convention, and that those of the evening service be devoted to the Sunday-School Association.

7. Reports were presented in print by the Secretary, who read their titles as follows: the Secretaries, the Treasurer, the Corporation and Treasurer of the Theological School, the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, the Trustees of the New-Church Building Fund, the Trustees of the National Church, the Trustee of the Rice Legacy, the Trustees of the Pension Fund, the Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund, the Trustees of the Rotch Legacy, the Trustees of the Delaware County Church, the Trustees of the Jungerich Publication Fund, the Bureau of Information, and the New-Church Board of Publication.

Associations: California, Canada, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

Societies: Connecticut State; Denver, Colo.; Jacksonville, Fla.; St. Paul, Minn.; Texas, and Washington State.

General Pastors: Rev. Messrs. John Faulkner Potts, John Goddard, Frank Sewall, William L. Worcester, James Reed, John S. Saul, S. S. Seward, Julian K. Smyth, and Louis G. Hoeck.

Ministers: Rev. Messrs. Charles Louis Carrière, Charles H. Mann, O. L. Barler, F. L. Higgins, Albert Björck, Samuel Worcester, Eli W. Shields, W. A. L. Campbell, and Mr. T. Mower Martin.

8. The Secretary read the titles of the following reports which had been received too late to be printed: the Committee on Transportation, the Work on Swedenborgiana in Sweden, the Committee on Library and Documents, and the Massachusetts Association.

9. The report of the Board of Managers of the New-Church Theological School was read by the Rev. H. Clinton Hay.

10. Rev. Messrs. James Reed, H. Clinton Hay, Baman N. Stone, and Mr. William McGeorge, Jr., were *re-elected* members of the Board of Managers of the New-Church Theological School.

11. The report of the Committee on Business was read by the Rev. Harold S. Conant.

12. It was *voted*, To adopt the program as outlined, subject to such changes as Convention may make from time to time.

13. It was *voted*, That the President be allowed to present his report sometime Monday.

14. A partial report of the Council of Ministers was read by its Secretary, the Rev. H. Clinton Hay, and the following resolutions were *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the General Pastors provide that the rite of consecration be administered to the President of Convention, the Rev. Julian K. Smyth, in accordance with the liturgy of the new Book of Worship, on Sunday next at the National Church in Washington.

15. *Resolved*, That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the application of the Maine Association be granted, and that the sanction of the Convention is hereby given to the temporary investiture of the Rev. Baman N. Stone with the powers of General Pastor, during his continuance in the office of Presiding Minister of the Maine Association.

16. *Resolved*, That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the President of the Maine Association, the Rev. Baman N. Stone, be invested with the powers of a General Pastor, during the term of his office, by the rite of consecration, on Sunday next at the National Church in Washington.

17. *Resolved*, That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the application of the members of the New Church in Manitoba for the ordination of John H. Enns is hereby granted,—the time for the ordination to be fixed by the President of the Convention and Mr. Enns.

18. Action on the following resolution which was presented was deferred until later in the session (Minute 67).

*Resolved*, That the General Convention receives with much satisfaction the revised edition of the Book of Worship; and, with such final revision as the Council of Ministers may find it necessary to make in its Committees, hereby requests its publication by the Board of Publication, and also recommends its use by the Societies connected with the Convention.

19. The report of the Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts was read by its chairman, the Rev. John C. Ager.

20. It was *voted*, That the annual contribution of \$1,000 for phototyping Swedenborg's manuscripts be continued for the next three years. (See Journal 1911, Minute 87.)

21. It was *voted*, That the annual contribution of \$500 towards the salary of Mr. Stroh be continued for the coming year

22. It was *voted*, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to nominate the elective members of the General Council and of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, and that this committee report at 11 o'clock a. m. on Monday, the time set for the nomination of officers.

23. By a *rising vote* the President was instructed to send the following telegram to the Rev. S. S. Seward:

The Convention most sincerely regrets that you are not in your usual good health, and most earnestly hopes that you will soon be fully restored. We greatly miss your wise and unprejudiced counsel and the spirit of charity that is always present with you. I am directed to send you this as the unanimous action of the Convention.

24. The Rev. Frank Sewall laid before the Convention Swedenborg's "Principia" in two volumes, the publication of which had just been completed by the London Swedenborg Society, and offered the following resolutions, which were *adopted*:

*Whereas*, The mission of the New Church as a reconciler of religion and science is based upon the unity of Swedenborg's system as embracing both science and theology; and upon Swedenborg's own statement that from a philosopher he became a theologian, and that spiritual truths rest upon natural truths as a basis; and,

*Whereas*, The frequent quotations in the theological writings of statements in the scientific series show that Swedenborg regarded the two series as harmonious and mutually elucidating; and that consequently an ignorance of the nature of these writings must lead to a loss to the Church of an important providential aid in its work; therefore,

I. *Resolved*, That the study of the philosophical writings of Swedenborg be strongly commended to the Church at large at this time as enabling New-Church men to understand more clearly the heavenly doctrines and to throw light upon many difficult problems in physiology, psychology, and sociology as well as in religion, and to harmonize these sciences with religious faith.

II. *Resolved*, That the managers of the Theological School be asked to make such provision as may be practicable for the introduction of such courses of study—by reading, by lectures—preferably by professional experts when possible—as will enable every student to comprehend, at least in general, the form of Swedenborg's scientific system and its relation to the general doctrines of the Human Form, of Influx and of the Grand Man; and,

III. *Resolved*, That the New-Church Board of Publication be requested to advertise in prominent medical journals

and by circulars to the faculties of prominent medical schools in this country and in England the works published by that body, but rarely advertised in any form, viz.: the "Economy of the Animal Kingdom," in two volumes, and "The Soul, or Rational Psychology."

IV. *Resolved*, That the Convention congratulates the Swedenborg Society of London on the publication at this date of the new and revised edition of Swedenborg's "Principia," containing also the "Lesser Principia" never before published, which undertaking was begun in this Convention fifteen years ago, turned over to the then newly formed Swedenborg Scientific Association, with the continued favor and good auspices of all bodies of the Church, and by that association, after several years of revisory work, given over to the London Swedenborg Society. We regard this happy consummation of long cherished wishes and arduous labors as a fit occasion for our new consideration of the value of this great work, and a generous co-operation in its wide circulation and use, both in and out of the Church.

25. The report of the Committee on Library and Documents being called for, was read by the Secretary.

26. The Chair appointed the following committee to make nominations for the elective members of the General Council and of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions: Rev. Messrs. Paul Sperry and L. G. Landenberger and Messrs. F. O. Whitney, Walter C. Rodman, and Robert A. Shaw.

27. The Hon. Job Barnard and Mr. Robert A. Shaw were *re-elected* Trustees of the Building Fund.

28. The Rev. S. S. Seward and Mr. Percy Werner were *re-elected* Trustees of the Pension Fund.

29. The meeting then adjourned.

MONDAY, May 13, 1912.

30. The Convention was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President and the Rev. Baman N. Stone, of Maine, conducted the opening service.

31. The minutes of Saturday's meeting were read and *approved*.

32. The report of the Trustees of the Orphan Fund was presented by the Hon. Job Barnard.

33. The Rev. James Reed and Mr. William McGeorge, Jr., were *re-elected* Trustees of the Orphan Fund.

34. It was *voted*, That the report of the Massachusetts Association, which was received too late to be printed, be read; whereupon said report was read by the Secretary.

35. The chairman of the Committee on Credentials, Mr. Frederic Schoff, reported the roll of Convention as follows:

**ROLL.**

**CANADA ASSOCIATION.**—*Minister*: Rev. E. D. Daniels.

*Delegates*: J. B. McLachlan, W. H. Law, Mrs. W. H. Law, T. M. Martin, Mrs. J. B. McLachlan, Miss Stella Daniels.

**ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.**—*Ministers*: Rev. J. S. Saul, Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, Rev. Louis Rich, Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Rev. Axel Lundeberg.

*Delegates*: C. L. Moulton, J. W. Saul, Mrs. Alice Thacher Post, Mrs. C. L. Moulton, Mrs. J. S. Saul, Miss Mabel Pearse, George Copeland, Mrs. Axel Lundeberg.

**KANSAS ASSOCIATION.**—*Minister*: Rev. Jacob Schroeder.

**MAINE ASSOCIATION.**—*Ministers*: Rev. Baman N. Stone, Rev. William F. Wunsch.

*Delegate*: Arthur B. Stearns.

**MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.**—*Ministers*: Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., Rev. H. S. Conant, Rev. J. B. Spiers, Rev. Geo. H. Dole, Rev. G. Lawrence Allbutt.

*Delegates*: Job Barnard, Ralph Barnard, J. Henry Smith, Frederick Eichelberger, Richard Campbell, Percy M. Reese, George Pausch, William H. Sickel, William H. Swift, F. L. Gilpin.

**MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.**—*Ministers*: Rev. James Reed, Rev. H. C. Hay, Rev. Geo. S. Wheeler, Rev. Paul Sperry, Rev. W. L. Worcester, Rev. John Goddard, Rev. E. M. L. Gould, Rev. Hiram Vrooman, Rev. C. E. Ritter, Rev. L. F. Hite, Rev. John Whitehead.

*Delegates*: J. R. Carter, R. B. Carter, Charles Whittemore, Thomas Hope, Hartley L. White, B. A. Jackson, S. P. Gates, C. R. Smith, A. W. Parker, Dr. J. W. Packard, Benj. Pettee, W. W. Towle, W. N. Gray, Harry T. Stiff, A. D. Ropes, W. B. B. Childs, Geo. C. Warren, R. O. Harris, Wendell Brown, H. B. Blackmer, C. W. Barron, J. Daboll, Harold Wheeler, F. O. Whitney, S. W. Keene, F. P. Morrill, K. M. Gitt.

**MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.**—*Delegates*: H. G. Field, Henry Wunsch.

**NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.**—*Ministers*: Rev. Julian K. Smyth, Rev. J. P. Dresser, Rev. Wm. H. Schliffer, Rev. J. C. Ager, Rev. C. H. Mann, Rev. Wm. Diehl.

*Delegates*: Edward Sherer, Wm. C. Hubbell, Pennington Halsted, Dr. Gorham Bacon, Mrs. Gorham Bacon, Mrs. Geo. L. Kent, Mrs. D. Pomeroy, Mrs. R. H. Pomeroy, Mrs. Robert Shaw, Miss M. Shaw, R. A. Shaw, Miss Clara Browning.

**OHIO ASSOCIATION.**—*Ministers*: Rev. L. G. Hoeck, Rev. T. A. King, Rev. Russell Eaton.

*Delegates*: Wm. N. Hobart, Mrs. Wm. N. Hobart, Miss Elsie Hobart, Harry Snow, Howard Hunt, Miss Florence Murdock, Mrs. Ella B. Henry, Mrs. J. L. Wayne, Mrs. Mary H. Grosh, Mrs. M. G. Browne, Miss Minerva Wagar, Mrs. Emma Eichelberger, Miss Jane Carter, Paul H. Seymour, Richard B. M. Wezerek.

**PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.**—*Ministers*: Rev. C. W. Harvey, Rev. J. W. Stockwell, Rev. J. R. Stephenson, Rev. R. S. Fischer.

*Delegates*: Walter C. Rodman, Richard A. Lewis, Francis H. Hemperley, William McGeorge, Jr., Frederic Schoff, Victor John-

son, Ezra Hyde Alden, Paul S. Vosberg, Mrs. C. M. Moody, Mrs. Lilian Rogers, Mrs. E. H. Alden, Mrs. Frederic Schoff, Mrs. Josephine Moore.

CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION.—*Delegate*: Mrs. Geo. O. Sawyer.

ST. PAUL SOCIETY.—*Delegates*: Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cutler.

NEBRASKA.—*Minister*: Rev. O. L. Barler.

#### RECAPITULATION.

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36. It was *voted*, That the report of the Committee on Credentials be adopted subject to corrections and additions.

37. The report of the Committee on Education was read by its chairman, the Rev. Lewis F. Hite, containing a recommendation that a paper by the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck on "Religious Instruction During the High School Period," which had been submitted to the Committee on Education, be read to Convention.

38. The Committee's report was received and the recommendation regarding Mr. Schreck's paper *adopted*.

39. The report of the General Council was read by the Secretary and *adopted*, together with the following resolutions contained therein:

*Resolved*, That the General Convention is deeply interested in the proposition to secure a pure Latin text of the Arcana Coelestia, and directs the General Council, in its discretion, to co-operate with the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society in the work as definite plans are developed.

40. *Whereas*, The opportunity has arisen to secure the services of Mr. John Daboll, as paid Secretary of Convention to devote his entire time to the uses of the Church, with the understanding that a salary of \$2,000 can be provided by an appropriation of \$1,000 by Convention and the remainder from other bodies of the Church or from subscription of friends; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the General Council be authorized to engage Mr. Daboll for one year as paid Secretary of Convention, and, if such be the pleasure of Convention, that he be elected as Recording Secretary.

41. The Business Committee assigned 3 o'clock Tuesday for the reading of Mr. Schreck's paper mentioned in Minute 37.

42. Mrs. Arthur D. Ropes, president of the Massachusetts Woman's Alliance, announced a contribution of \$1,000 from that organization to the National Church Building Fund.

43. This announcement was greeted by a hearty round of applause and the thanks of Convention were extended to the Massachusetts Woman's Alliance by a unanimous *rising vote*.

44. The following resolution, presented by Mr. James Richard Carter, was *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That the action of the Board of Trustees of the National Church in the construction of the Sunday School Building, be approved by the Convention; and that all members who feel an interest in having the New Church properly represented in the National Capital by beautiful, useful and appropriate buildings, be urgently requested to contribute to the fund necessary to complete the payment for the building now in process of erection.

45. The Vice-President here took the chair.

46. The Committee on Nominations reported the following: For members of the General Council, the Rev. Messrs. William L. Worcester, Charles W. Harvey, Louis G. Hoeck, and John S. Saul, and Messrs. William N. Hobart, William McGeorge, Jr., Robert A. Shaw, Richard B. Carter, Henry Wunsch, and E. H. Cutler.

For Members of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions: the Rev. Messrs. H. Clinton Hay, William F. Wunsch, and Paul Sperry, and Messrs. H. W. Guernsey, Frederic Schoff, and Charles Whitemore, and to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. C. A. E. Spamer, Mr. William McGeorge, Jr.

47. Nominations were made from the floor as follows: For President, the Rev. Julian K. Smyth; Vice-President, the Hon. Job Barnard; Treasurer, Mr. James Richard Carter; Recording Secretary, Mr. John Daboll; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Paul H. Seymour.

48. The Chair appointed Mr. Ezra Hyde Alden a committee of one to have the ballots printed.

49. The President read his annual report.

50. The following resolution, introduced by Mr. Robert A. Shaw, was *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That the Convention has listened with keenest appreciation and encouragement to the report of its President, and that the General Council be requested to put at the

service of Mr. Smyth such form of assistance as is necessary for him to continue the work he has done during the past year.

51. The time having arrived for the Conference on Missions, Mr. W. W. Towle, President of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, took the chair and after the singing of a hymn, short addresses were made by the Rev. J. B. Spiers, of Richmond, Va., regarding his missionary work through the south; the Rev. Jacob Schroeder, of Larned, Kan., who gave an account of his work in Kansas, Colorado, and California; the Rev. Axel Lundeberg, who spoke of his work among the Swedes in and about Minneapolis; Pundit Pearay Lal, of East India, a recent convert to the New Church, who is engaged in translating the doctrines into the language of his people; and Mr. Otto Pfister, of Cleveland, who spoke of the work of the Lay Missionary League.

An appeal was made for funds for the Board of Missions and pledges amounting to \$912.80 were secured.

52. The Conference then adjourned, the President of Convention resumed the chair, and Convention adjourned to 3:30 p. m.

3:30 p. m.

53. Convention was called to order by the President.

54. The Secretary presented the proposed revision of the Constitution and By-Laws which the General Council and Council of Ministers had presented a year ago, and reported that the two Councils concur in the printed report with a few minor changes, substituting for Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution, the following:

A member of the New Church, after a suitable preparation in the Convention Theological School, or by a course of study under the supervision of a General Pastor, or by preparation satisfactory to the Council of Ministers, may be authorized by a General Pastor to lead in worship, to teach the doctrines of the Church, to lecture, and to officiate at funerals, under his supervision; such authorization to be renewed annually. Persons so authorized shall be known as Authorized Candidates or Preachers.

It was *voted*, That the proposed Constitution and By-Laws as printed, with the changes noted, be adopted.

55. The Secretary read a letter from the San Diego Society and one from the O'Farrell Street Society of San Francisco, each inviting Convention to meet with them in the year 1915. These invitations were *referred* to the General Council.

56. The Rev. James Reed, in behalf of the Massachusetts Association, extended an invitation to Convention to meet next year in the city of Boston, and it was *voted*, To accept this invitation.

57. The Rev. E. D. Daniels expressed the desire of the Canadian members to have Convention meet with them at some future date, and raised the question of the legality of the Convention's transacting business in Canada, which question was *referred* to the General Council to report next year.

58. It was *voted*, That the report of the Literary Bureau be read, which was done by the Secretary.

59. The hour having arrived for the Conference on "The Maintenance of Our Ministry and the Value of an Augmentation Fund," the Vice-President took the chair and addresses were presented by the Hon. Job Barnard and Mr. Geo. C. Warren.

60. After discussion by the Rev. Messrs. Smyth, Worcester, and Goddard and Messrs. Jackson and Barron, the following resolution, presented by Mr. Warren, was unanimously *adopted by a rising vote*:

*Resolved*, That the President of Convention appoint a committee of laymen of which he shall be a member *ex-officio*, of such size as he may deem wise, to organize, in connection with the General Council, for the establishment of an adequate augmentation fund for the support and extension of the New-Church ministry and missionary field.

61. The President was here called to the chair and Convention adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 14, 1912.

62. Convention was called to order by the President at 10:10 a. m., and the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck conducted the devotional service.

63. The minutes of Monday's meeting were read and *approved*.

64. The President appointed the Augmentation Fund Committee as follows: Messrs. Geo. C. Warren, Clarence W. Barron, Charles Whittemore, William Burnham, Edward H. Cutler, Benjamin A. Jackson, Eben Sugden, Job Barnard, S. W. Childs, and Fenton Lawson.

65. The following letter from the Rev. S. S. Seward was read by the President:

205 Wendell Avenue, Pittsfield, Mass.

To the Convention:

Dear Brethren:—Your night letter through the President and Vice-President has touched me very closely. I knew that my absence would not be unnoticed, but it is gratifying to be assured of the fact. My situation is such that I have had to give up for the time being without question and that has made it easier. But I anticipate a sure recovery, and, though I shall have to go very quietly, I hope not to be altogether useless in the future. This is my first absence after forty-two years of continuous attendance at the Convention.

Hoping that the Divine Blessing may guide your deliberations, and that your conclusions may result in the strength and prosperity of the Church, I am,

Very appreciatively yours,

S. S. SEWARD,  
Per. R. C. S.

May 12, 1912.

66. It was *voted*, That this letter be entered upon the minutes and that a suitable reply be sent by the President.

67. A further report of the Council of Ministers was read by its Secretary, the Rev. H. Clinton Hay, and the following resolution *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That the General Convention receives with much satisfaction the revised edition of the Book of Worship; and, with such final revision as the Council of Ministers may find it necessary to make in its Committees, hereby requests its publication by the Board of Publication, and also recommends its use by the Societies connected with the Convention.

68. The order of the day being the election of officers, the Chair appointed Messrs. E. H. Alden and Thomas Hope tellers.

69. It was *voted*, That all candidates be voted for on one ballot.

70. It was *voted*, To suspend the order of business and receive the remaining resolutions presented by the Council of Ministers.

71. The following resolutions were *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, a sum not exceeding \$450 be appropriated for the work of its Committee on the Translation of the Word for the ensuing year.

72. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Council of Ministers, the following changes be made in the Convention list of Ministers:

That the name of Baman N. Stone be transferred from the list of Pastors and Ministers to that of General Pastors, as temporarily invested with the powers of a General Pastor.

That the name of John H. Enns be transferred from the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers to that of Pastors and Ministers, provided his ordination shall take place before the printing of the *Journal*.

That the name of Arthur Mercer be removed, at his own request, from the list of Pastors and Ministers; and that the names of Edward C. Mitchell and H. F. von K. Crownfield, be removed by reason of their decease.

That the name of Louis Alexander Dole be added to the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers; and that the name of Nelson Henry Clafin be removed from that list by reason of expiration of license.

73. The address from the English Conference was read by the Rev. Charles W. Harvey and the Rev. John Goddard read an address in reply which he had prepared.

74. It was *resolved*, That the Convention has listened with pleasure to the address of the English Conference, prepared by its President, the Rev. R. R. Rodgers, and, with such slight changes as Mr. Goddard may wish to make, *adopts* his address as the reply of Convention.

75. The tellers reported regarding the election of officers and of members of the General Council and Board of Home and Foreign Missions that seventy-nine votes had been cast as follows:

For President, Rev. Julian K. Smyth, seventy-nine.

For Vice-President, Hon. Job Barnard, seventy-nine.

For Recording Secretary, Mr. John Daboll, seventy-four; Mr. Paul H. Seymour, five.

For Assistant Secretary, Mr. Paul H. Seymour, seventy-four; Mr. J. Woodruff Saul, five.

For Treasurer, Mr. James Richard Carter, seventy-nine.

For the General Council, Rev. William L. Worcester, seventy-eight; Rev. Charles W. Harvey, seventy-eight; Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, seventy-seven; Rev. John S. Saul, seventy-seven; Mr. Wm. N. Hobart, seventy-seven; Mr. Wm. McGeorge, Jr., seventy-five; Mr. Robert A. Shaw, seventy-seven; Mr. Richard B. Carter, seventy-eight; Mr. Henry Wunsch, seventy-eight; Mr. Edward H. Cutler, seventy-seven; Mr. William Burnham, two; Rev. L. F. Hite, one; Rev. H. Clinton Hay, one; Mr. Geo. C. Warren, one; Mr. J. B. McLachlan, one.

For the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, Rev. H. Clinton Hay, seventy-eight; Rev. Wm. F. Wunsch, seventy-eight; Rev. Paul Sperry, seventy-eight; Mr. Henry W. Guern-

sey, seventy-five; Mr. Frederic Schoff, seventy-eight; Mr. Charles Whittemore, seventy-eight; Mr. A. N. Shaw, one; Mr. C. J. Cobb, one; Mr. C. L. Moulton, one.

To fill vacancy on Board of Home and Foreign Missions. Mr. Wm. McGeorge, Jr., seventy-four; Mr. Wm. Burnham, two; Mr. C. L. Moulton, one; Mr. H. B. Blackmer, one.

76. The Chair announced that the following were elected: President, Rev. Julian K. Smyth; Vice-President, Hon. Job Barnard; Recording Secretary, Mr. John Daboll; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Paul H. Seymour; Treasurer, Mr. James Richard Carter.

The General Council: Rev. Messrs. Worcester, Harvey, Hoeck, and Saul, and Messrs. Hobart, McGeorge, Shaw, Richard B. Carter, Wunsch, and Edward H. Cutler.

The Board of Home and Foreign Missions: Rev. Messrs. Hay, Wunsch, and Sperry, and Messrs. Guernsey, Schoff, Whittemore, and McGeorge.

77. It was *voted*, That the reports from the Rev. Jacob Schroeder and Messrs. Janecek and Pfister be received and printed in the *Journal*.

78. The following memorial, prepared by the Rev. Messrs. L. G. Landenberger and Axel Lundeberg, in memory of the Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, presented and read by Mr. Landenberger, was *adopted by a rising vote*:

**IN MEMORIAM THE REV. EDWARD C. MITCHELL.**

Edward Craig Mitchell, who passed away at St. Paul, Minn., on Dec. 8, 1911, was ordained into the ministry November 27, 1862, and was the third oldest member on the Convention's roll of ministers. His earliest ministry was devoted to serving the societies at Providence, R. I., Brockton, Mass., Portland, Me., Detroit, Mich., and at Minneapolis, Minn., at which latter place a church was built during his ministration. After this he became the faithful and devoted pastor of the St. Paul, Minn., Society, which he served for nearly two score years and endeared himself not only to the members of the church but also to the citizens of St. Paul by services rendered. Mr. Mitchell has become well known throughout the New Church by his works on "Scripture Symbolism," "Parables of the New Testament," and "Parables of the Old Testament," which have had a large circulation and are appreciated for their great usefulness. The Convention places upon record its high appreciation of his long and devoted services rendered to the Church.

79. The following memorial was prepared by the Rev. Messrs. Julian K. Smyth and John C. Ager:

**IN MEMORIAM HERMAN FREDERIC VON K. CROWNFIELD.**

Herman F. von K. Crownfield was born in Baltimore, October 9, 1833. On account of the death of his father he was obliged, at the age of fifteen, to leave school to take charge of his father's business, con-

ducting all the necessary foreign correspondence and doing it with an efficiency which greatly surprised his elders. Some years later he took up his studies again, going to Urbana University for the purpose. There he studied Latin, Greek, and Hebrew under Prof. Tafel. He read law in the office of Edward O. Hinkley, Baltimore, and from this time (1854) until 1893 he made the law his profession. For many years he had been an earnest student of the heavenly doctrines of the Church, and at the age of sixty, at the request of the Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Society, which he had served as a lay reader, he was ordained into the New-Church ministry. Subsequently he preached for the Society in Preston, Md., and from 1895 to 1899 he served the Pittsburgh Society as its pastor. After that he returned to New York and preached occasionally for smaller societies in the vicinity of that city. His health gradually failed, and after a long and painful illness he passed away January 18, 1912, in the seventy-ninth year of his age.

Although he entered the ministry late in life, he brought to it all the zeal and high-heartedness of youth. He was a profound student; his ability to explain and set forth the doctrines of the Church was truly brilliant; and his trust in them all through the bright and the shaded hours of his life on earth and his delight in proclaiming them will always be remembered by those who knew him.

80. The following memorial to Mr. Christian Augustus Emanuel Spamer, prepared by a committee appointed by the General Council, consisting of the Rev. S. S. Seward, Hon. Job Barnard and Mr. Wm. McGeorge, Jr., and read by Judge Barnard, was *adopted by a rising vote*:

**IN MEMORIAM CHRISTIAN AUGUSTUS EMANUEL SPAMER; 1843—1912.**

In the removal to the spiritual world of Christian Augustus Emanuel Spamer, for twenty-one years Secretary of the General Convention, and for almost the whole of that period Secretary of the General Council, the Church has lost, so far as this world is concerned, one of its most affectionate, intelligent, and faithful members and workers.

From his early manhood he was ever a lover of the Church, and labored for her welfare in the Baltimore Society, the Maryland Association, and the General Convention, by every means in his power. He was elected Secretary of the First Society of Baltimore in 1863, and held that office 36 years, until he was elected President of the Society, January 9th, 1899, and held that position until he died. He was elected Secretary of the Maryland Association in 1867, and held office until 1910—43 years. He was elected Secretary of the General Convention in 1890. He was President of the Maryland New-Church Sunday School Union and Superintendent of the Sunday School of the Baltimore Society for many years. He gave himself to the Church. His efforts in her behalf were intelligent and untiring. His patience and zeal never wavered or gave out. Faithfulness was his most conspicuous trait. The Church may be said to have been his leading love. His work as Secretary of the Convention was done lovingly and with the greatest care. Church business was never a burden to him. His affection for his wife and family, and all the lovable points in his character, received their inspiration and guidance from his love for

the Church. He was a good citizen, a kindly and helpful neighbor and friend, a patriot and soldier in the Civil War, entering with zeal and devotion into every good cause, and stamping his individuality upon them all. He was withal modest and unassuming; never putting himself forward, but responding to every call that was presented to his sympathies with a fidelity and earnestness that secured the hearty co-operation of all with whom he was associated.

The Convention records this simple tribute to his memory in grateful recognition of his wise and unselfish labors in her behalf; and extends to his family, and to the Baltimore Society and Maryland Association, its deep and sincere sympathy in their great loss. Our thought of him must ever draw our eyes toward the heavenly city.

81. Convention then adjourned for the noon hour.

2 P. M.

82. The Convention was called to order by the President.

83. The Secretary read the reports of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association and of the American New-Church League.

84. The following resolutions presented by Mr. Geo. C. Warren were *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That the suggestion of the President that the work of the several Publishing Boards of the New Church be consolidated as far as practicable, be heartily approved, and that the General Council be requested to earnestly consider the matter.

85. *Resolved*, That the Recording Secretary request the several societies to see to it that the existence and location of their houses of worship be appropriately noticed in the daily press, hotel and other directories, including directories in the hands of the police and street railroad employes.

86. The report of the NEW-CHURCH MESSENGER was presented by its editor and publisher, the Rev. John S. Saul.

87. It was *voted*, That the report of the MESSENGER be accepted and the recommendation contained therein *adopted*, said recommendation being that the Treasurer of Convention be authorized to advance to the MESSENGER during the year such sums of money as may be necessary.

88. The following resolutions, presented by the Rev. Geo. H. Dole, were *adopted*:

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the President of Convention to consider the advisability of reducing the subscription price of the MESSENGER to two dollars per year; also to consider methods whereby such reduction can be made without in any way impairing the present quality

of the MESSENGER. The committee to report at the next session of the General Convention.

89. *Whereas*, The Rev. John S. Saul resigned the office of pastor that he might give his entire service to the Convention as editor of the MESSENGER; and,

*Whereas*, He has served the Convention efficiently and acceptably in that capacity, Convention hereby expresses its appreciation and thanks for his good work and assures him of its true sympathy and earnest co-operation; therefore,

*Resolved*, That Convention hereby fixes the salary of the Rev. John S. Saul at the rate of \$2,500 per annum.

90. It was *voted*, That the Secretary of Convention be authorized to communicate with the various societies requesting that they consider the desirability of subscribing for copies of the MESSENGER to be sent to as many as possible of the local members who are unable to subscribe.

91. The Chair appointed as committee on MESSENGER (See minute 88), the Rev. Messrs. Geo. H. Dole and John Whitehead, and Mr. E. H. Alden.

92. The Rev. H. S. Conant presented a further report of the Bureau of Information, and upon his motion it was *voted*, That the recommendation of the Bureau of Information as contained in the Advanced Reports be referred to the General Council with a view to considering the advisability of merging the work of the Bureau with that of the Secretary of Convention.

93. The Rev. E. J. E. Schreck presented his paper entitled "Religious Instruction During the High School Period," and the following resolutions, presented by the Rev. Lewis F. Hite, were *adopted*:

*Whereas*, The General Convention has heard the paper on "Religious Instruction During the High-School Period," submitted by the Committee on Education;

*Resolved*, That the plan proposed therein be recommended to other religious bodies and to the consideration of high school authorities.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Education be authorized to print the paper and to distribute it to religious and educational organizations.

94. The time having arrived for the consideration of Urbana University, short speeches were made by Mr. Paul H. Seymour, Headmaster of the school; the Rev. Russell Eaton, Head of the Department of Religious Instruction; the Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., one of the Trustees, and Mr. Richard Wezerek, one of the students; each speaker mentioning a

different phase of the uses of the School. President Smyth, a graduate of the School, added a few words, expressing his appreciation and love for his *alma mater*.

95. The report of the New-Church Evidence Society was read by the Rev. Lewis F. Hite.

96. The Secretary read the report of the annual meeting of the National New-Church Woman's Alliance.

97. It was *voted*, To have the report of missionary work in Bohemia read, which was done by the Rev. L. G. Landenberger.

98. The following resolution, presented by Mr. Robert A. Shaw, was *adopted by a unanimous rising vote*:

*Resolved*, That the Convention has found inspiration and encouragement in the use of the National Church at this, its ninety-second session. It congratulates the Church and the Washington Society upon the near completion of the Sunday School adjoining, and it extends to the Washington Society its cordial appreciation of the delightful entertainment which it has extended during the session.

99. On motion of the Rev. Frank Sewall it was *voted*, That all Convention delegates be invited to take home copies of the tentative edition of the Book of Worship used during the session.

100. The time having arrived for the conference on "The Present Tendencies of Religious Thought at Home and Abroad," the Rev. H. Clinton Hay took the chair, and, after the singing of Hymn 230, addresses were presented by the chairman and by the Rev. Lewis F. Hite (for Europe); the Rev. Hiram Vrooman (America); and the Rev. Axel Lundeborg (foreign Americans).

101. The President then resumed the chair, and it was *voted*, To leave the preparation of the minutes with the Secretaries and the President.

102. After the singing of a hymn, followed by prayer and benediction by the President, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

JULIAN K. SMYTH,

*President.*

PAUL H. SEYMOUR,

*Recording Secretary.*

J. WOODRUFF SAUL,

*Assistant Secretary.*

## Memoranda

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The Council of Ministers convened on Tuesday afternoon, May 7, in the Calvert St. Church in Baltimore and continued its meetings there Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The annual sermon by the Rev. James Reed of Boston was on "Our Covenant."

The Alumni Association of the Theological School held its annual meeting and dinner Wednesday evening, May 8, at Virginia Lunch Rooms. The subject discussed was "The Relative Importance in Preaching of the Literal and Spiritual Senses of the Word," a paper on this subject being read by the Rev. James Reed. The Rev. Wm. L. Worcester, President of the Theological School, reported on the School's work and prospects.

The American New-Church Sunday-School Association met Thursday evening, May 9, in the Washington Church and was welcomed by the pastor of the Washington Society, Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D. The President, Mr. E. H. Alden, delivered his address, and reports were presented. The second meeting was held Friday morning with addresses on "How to Instruct Children in the Distinctive Teachings of the Church," by Rev. L. G. Hoeck; "How to Bring Into Our Schools Children not of the Church," by Rev. Thomas A. King; and "The General Exercises in the School," by Rev. Geo. S. Wheeler. The third meeting was a joint session of the Association and the American New-Church League, the topic being "The Mutual Relation of Church, Sunday School and League," the leading speakers being Mr. R. B. Carter, Rev. William F. Wunsch and Rev. E. M. Lawrence Gould.

The Conference of the American New-Church League opened Friday afternoon, May 10, in the Washington Church and continued Friday evening in joint meeting with the American New-Church Sunday-School Association, and Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon a pleasant excursion was made on the Potomac River with opportunity to visit Mt. Vernon. The excursion was followed by a social dinner at the Café Republique.

The Sunday Morning services in the National Church were very impressive and were conducted by the resident pastor, Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, General Pastor of the Ohio Association, on the subject "The Tabernacle of God." At this service occurred the investiture with the office of General Pastor of the Reverend Julian Kennedy Smyth of New York and the Reverend Baman N. Stone of Maine, the Reverend Frank Sewall, D. D., officiating in the consecration of Julian K. Smyth assisted in the laying on of hands by the Rev. James Reed and the Rev. John Goddard; and the Rev. Julian K. Smyth officiating in the consecration of Baman N. Stone assisted also by the Rev. Messrs. Reed and Goddard in the laying on of hands. The Rev. J. K. Smyth, the President of the General Convention, administered the Holy Supper, assisted by Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Rev. J. B. Spiers, Rev. H. Clinton Hay, and Rev. Paul Sperry.

The offerings on Convention Sunday were as follows: For the General use of Convention, \$298.75; for the Sunday-School Association, \$111.21; total, \$409.96.

The attendance Sunday morning was 475; at Holy Supper, 289; Sunday evening, 301.

A visit to the White House made a pleasant diversion Monday noon, although the President was unable to be present to receive the members of Convention.

The Conference Monday afternoon on "The Maintenance of Our Ministry and the Value of an Augmentation Fund" was most inspiring and encouraging. The subject was introduced happily by Hon. Job Barnard, Vice-President of the Convention, who was followed by Mr. Geo. C. Warren in a stirring paper outlining a plan for the accumulation of such a fund. The discussion which followed was characterized by an optimistic spirit which presaged a new era in the raising of funds for the Church work.

The Missionary meeting over which Hon. W. W. Towle, president of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, presided afforded Convention an opportunity to hear directly about the work of the Board from the men in the field, Rev. J. B. Spiers, Rev. Jacob Schroeder and Rev. Axel Lundeberg. Pundit Pearay Lal, an East Indian, made an earnest address.

A social reception was given at Rauscher's Monday evening. An opportunity for all who had attended Convention meetings to come together in a sphere conducive to the most delightful social life was thus afforded and was availed of to the full. Music, refreshments and dancing, all contributed to the enjoyment of the gathering.

The National Woman's Alliance of the New Church held its 8th Annual Meeting at the residence of Mrs. John J. Edson, 1324 16th St., Washington, on May 14, 1912, and listened to reports from officers and State Alliances. The Massachusetts Alliance had raised \$1,000 for the new parish house in Washington and the National body pledged itself to aid in raising more for the same purpose.

The New-Church Round Table held its meeting Tuesday evening, May 14, the Rev. Hiram Vrooman presiding in the absence of the President, Rev. Thomas French, Jr. A paper by President French was read on "Committing Sins Against God in Our Political, Social and Economic Conduct." The chairman took up the question at length discussing economic sins. Mrs. Arthur D. Ropes in a paper on "The Conservation of the Rights of Childhood," dwelt on the iniquities of child-labor and some remedies. As the evening progressed the discussion grew quite animated and was participated in by Rev. Messrs. Spiers, Whitehead and King, Mrs. Swanton and Messrs. Geo. C. Warren and J. R. Carter. This being the last formal meeting in connection with the Convention was the occasion of considerable social life after adjournment.

## Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees

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### REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

In the effort to carry out the wish expressed by the Convention that its President should, as far as possible, visit the Associations of the Church, I have during the past year attended four of the annual gatherings of some of these associated bodies, participating in their meetings and services. I have also made special visits to nine Societies, have attended five ministers' meetings and have addressed six clubs and Church organizations.

Instead of attempting to speak of any results from this effort to serve actively in the office to which I was called one year ago, or to go into any particulars as to these various visits, I would record, rather, my grateful appreciation of the opportunities which have been freely offered to me for such service as I could render; the help which I have derived through this wider association; and above all the impression which I have received and which has grown into a conviction—and I bring you this as the substance of my report, and as a message to you at this time—the conviction that notwithstanding the trials and vicissitudes through which the Church has had to pass, *the Church has passed through them* and has not been hindered nor halted by them, and that the light of a brighter and happier time is already falling upon it. A Church's attainment must ever be measured by the nature and strength of its desires. And everywhere I have found a desire, not simply for unity and peace, but for a strong advance along whatever lines of constructive usefulness shall seem possible and best.

In almost every instance the annual meetings of the various Associations—beginning with that splendid meeting of the Maine Association in Portland, Me.—have been attended by larger numbers and have evinced more enthusiasm than for several years past. Everywhere the feeling has been dominant that the Church is the Lord's, and is to be honored,

and served with renewed devotion. The assaults made upon it, and which have brought pain and momentary apprehension, have also brought a realization that this is one of the times and ways of the Church's testing; and it surely seems as if the Church was meeting the test as all such tests should be met, by turning to the Lord and being renewed by Him. And not *only* that, but the divine protection which has been extended over this religious body, few in numbers and advanced but a little way on its long and wonderful journey, has been unmistakable; for in spite of every effort to raise a great wave of opposition and reproach that would swallow it up, somehow a strange impotence has fallen upon all these efforts and instead of destroying floods, the Church has only had to obey the divine command, "Go forward!" and lo, the little host seems to be veritably walking through parted waters, and step by step its feet fall upon dry ground. And what we have to do is to accept this divine protection and leadership trustingly, gratefully, rejoicingly, and the Church will surely be brought to a good land. For the purposes of the Lord are good, and they stand fast forever and ever.

JULIAN K. SMYTH,  
*President.*

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#### REPORT OF THE SECRETARIES.

The secretaries' work was in full charge of our dear friend and brother, C. A. E. Spamer, until he was called to the higher life on January seventh of this year, when the duties were assumed by the assistant secretary. While all who attend the sessions of Convention will greatly miss the beautiful and benevolent spirit of Mr. Spamer, those upon whom fall the duties which he has performed with such skill for so many years, will doubly feel his departure, and patience and forbearance on the part of Convention officers is requested in the many cases of our handling of the secretaries' work where it will fall short of its former completeness.

The Journal of the Convention of 1911 was prepared and six hundred and fifty copies printed and distributed, as follows:

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Copies reserved for future use.....	66
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A list of the ministers and officers of Convention was furnished to the British secretary to facilitate the distribution to them of the minutes of the English Conference.

The secretaries promptly notified all officers and committeemen of Convention of their election or appointment and the minutes of the Convention and of the General Council have all been recorded to date.

The several memorials adopted by the Convention at its last session have been engrossed and forwarded to the respective families of the deceased.

In reply to the secretaries' call for reports for presentation to Convention in print, as required by By-Law No. 17, which was published in the Messenger, fifty-two reports have been received, printed and mailed to ministers and associations within the time prescribed by said By-Law. The same are now laid before Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL H. SEYMOUR,

J. WOODRUFF SAUL,

*Secretaries.*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

ACCOUNT OF J. R. CARTER, TREASURER, FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
MAY 1, 1912.*General Income and Expense.*

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Washington taxes .....	\$67.16
110 copies Constitution.....	4.25
120 copies revised final report to ministers .....	1.40
400 copies change in consti- tution .....	6.25
Express on reports .....	.15
	12.05
Accrued interest on 10 United Elec. Sec. Bonds .....	191.67
Accrued interest on E. J. Gee Mort- gage .....	62.00
Accrued interest on 5 Southern Pow- er Co. Bonds .....	74.31
Accrued interest on 4 Milwaukee Elec. Ry. & Lt. Co.....	20.56
Accrued interest on 3 Adirondack Elec. Power Co.....	47.08
½ expense chart Daily Readings (Minute No. 17).....	13.00
Printing Calendar Daily Readings..	25.00
Deffenbaugh Case expenses.....	22.00
C. A. E. Spamer, Secretary's ex- penses to June 23, 1911.....	141.52
Recording Vitale mortgage .....	.50
Brandeis, Dunbar & Nutter, legal advice .....	5.00
Swedenborg Society—first payment of £200 for phototyping Sweden- borg's manuscripts .....	972.50
Collection on checks deposited in bank .....	8.61
Wyoming curb tax .....	\$6.24
Wyoming taxes .....	91.38
Wyoming repairs .....	24.00
	121.62
Committee Trans. of Word.....	250.00
Alfred Stroh .....	487.44
Security Safe Deposit Vaults, rent.	20.00
Renewal of Treasurer's bond.....	25.00
Insurance on books at Boston Stor- age Warehouse .....	16.56
Memorial for Rev. S. S. Seward (Minutes Nos. 82-83) .....	52.00
Amount carried forward.....	\$2,635.58

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<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$2,635.58
Taxes El Paso surveys.....	18.46
Expense matter legacy tax Miss Westcott .....	1.76
Printing envelopes and letter heads for Mr. Spamer .....	10.25
Composition of type for Psalter....	10.00
Expenses of President Julian K. Smyth—dictaphone, charts, clerical work, etc.....	208.53
Clerical work and expense of Treasurer .....	350.00
<b>Traveling Expenses—</b>	
Rev. Julian K. Smyth, President .....	\$308.06
Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.....	25.00
Rev. Lewis F. Hite.....	17.40
Paul H. Seymour.....	48.90
Rev. Chas. W. Harvey.....	7.31
Hon. Job Barnard.....	17.50
Rev. H. Clinton Hay.....	17.50
Rev. Wm. L. Worcester...	18.00
Wm. N. Hobart.....	45.80
Rev. E. J. E. Schreck .....	51.40
Rev. H. S. Conant.....	3.50
Henry Wunsch .....	43.20
J. R. Carter.....	15.30
Rev. Frank Sewall.....	7.20
Rev. C. W. Harvey.....	3.75
	629.82
<b>Paid Board of Publication—</b>	
Income Richards Fund...	\$30.00
½ Ropes (B. & A. dividend) .....	1,910.42
½ final settlement Ropes legacy .....	531.67
	2,472.09
<b>Paid New-Church Messenger:—</b>	
Income Ehrman Fund.....\$112.50	
Income Hammett Fund... 18.00	
½ income Kendall Fund... 64.77	
Ropes Endowment .....	450.00
	645.27
<b>Paid New-Church Theological School:—</b>	
Income Simpkins Fund... \$900.00	
½ income Wilkins Fund.. 84.79	
½ income Barker Fund.. 58.48	
½ Ropes (B. & A. dividend) .....	1,910.42
½ final settlement Ropes legacy .....	531.67
	3,485.36
<i>Amount carried forward.....</i>	\$10,467.12

<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	<b>\$10,467.12</b>
<b>Paid Board of Missions:-</b>	
Income Donaldson Fund..	\$89.53
$\frac{1}{2}$ income Wilkins Fund..	84.79
$\frac{1}{2}$ income Hayden (Home) .....	45.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ income Hayden (Foreign) .....	45.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ income Kendall .....	64.77
$\frac{1}{2}$ income Barker .....	58.48
Income Kimball .....	45.00
Income Officer .....	45.00
Income Lowe .....	90.00
Income Emerson .....	12.60
Income Wright .....	90.00
Income Washington Mis- sion .....	374.33
$\frac{1}{2}$ Ropes (B. & A. divi- idend) .....	1,910.41
Income E. O. Ropes Fund	225.00
Income H. Siebert Fund.	22.50
Income Du Pont Fund..	278.35
$\frac{1}{2}$ final settlement Ropes legacy .....	531.67
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	<b>4,012.43</b>
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<b>Interest credited following ac- counts:-</b>	<b>\$14,479.55</b>
Photo lithographic Fund .....	\$126.12
Photo lithographic (White Fund) ...	202.50
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	<b>\$328.62</b>
Lehnen Fund .....	42.10
Chase Fund .....	29.74
Brown Fund .....	91.20
Orphanage Fund .....	250.09
National Church S. S. Building Fund .....	98.73
Washington S. S. Building Expense .....	23.89
Swedenborg Memorial Fund .....	94.05
Income Thirza L. Westcott Fund .....	42.79
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To Balance .....	<b>\$15,480.76</b>
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	<b>3,335.02</b>
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	<b>\$18,815.78</b>

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May 1. Balance .....		\$1,000.14
Wyoming rent .....	\$360.00	
Proceeds sale of Convention Journals .....	5.14	
Interest on deposit Shawmut Bank	150.40	
Interest on mortgages:—		
Alex. Vitale .....	\$446.00	
A. C. Dyke .....	90.00	
G. B. Lapham .....	288.75	
D. W. Battles .....	150.00	
Est. Katherine Mooney... .....	170.00	
E. J. Gee .....	86.00	
	<u>      </u>	1,230.75
Interest on Bonds:—		
Grand Rapids Ry. Coupons.	\$500.00	
Houston Lighting & Power Co. ....	233.33	
Consolidated Elec. Lt. Co. of Maine .....	90.00	
United Elec. Lt. & Power Co. ....	100.00	
Indiana R. R. ....	500.00	
N. Y. State Canal.....	30.00	
No. Texas Traction Co....	150.00	
Boston & Northern St. Ry.	400.00	
Omaha Elec. Lt. & Power.	100.00	
Herkimer Co., Lt. & Power .....	100.00	
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co....	250.00	
So. California Edison Co..	500.00	
Portland Gen'l Elec. Co... .....	100.00	
United Elec. Securities ...	1,000.00	
Sierra & San Francisco....	350.00	
Utica & Mohawk Valley...	90.00	
Equitable Gas & Elec. Co... .....	250.00	
St. Louis, Iron Mt. & Southern .....	150.00	
Houston & Texas Central General .....	200.00	
So. Carolina & Georgia R. R. ....	100.00	
Southern Power Co. ....	125.00	
	<u>      </u>	5,318.33
Northern R. R. dividends.....	300.00	
Boston & Albany R. R. dividends..	5,731.25	
Interest on Ropes Legacy held for final settlement .....	1,595.01	
	<u>      </u>	14,690.88
Amount carried forward.....		\$15,691.02

	<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$15,691.02
Profit on sale 5 Houston Lighting & Power Co. Bonds .....	200.00	
Income Bissell Real Estate .....	2,507.34	
Interest on Ropes Legacy for Washington Mission held for final settlement.....	130.88	
Balance Convention Expense .....	286.54	
		<u>\$18,815.78</u>
May 1. Balance .....		<u>\$3,335.02</u>

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*Convention Expense.*

	Dr.	Cr.
<b>Traveling Expense to Convention:—</b>		
Rev. S. S. Seward, President.....	\$48.56	
Rev. H. C. Hay, Sec'y Council of Ministers .....	62.00	
Rev. Paul Sperry, Sec'y Bd. of Missions .....	53.25	
Paul H. Seymour, Asst. Secretary		68.28
Mass. N. C. Union, postage on Con- vention Journals .....	2.08	
Programs, ballots, postage, etc., at Convention .....	45.88	
Express from Chicago on 1910 Con- vention Journals returned .....	1.00	
Gaumer Pub. Co., 650 Convention Journals, 250 Advance Reports....	400.00	
Express, postage, envelopes and mailing Advance Reports and Journals.	70.65	
	<u>\$751.70</u>	
<b>Balance transferred to General In- come .....</b>	<b>286.54</b>	
Texas Association (1910-1911)—per capita tax .....		\$15.00
Riverside Society (1910-1911)—per capita tax .....		6.60
Connecticut Association—per capita tax .....		9.00
Jacksonville Society—per capita tax		1.95
Michigan Association—per capita tax .....		25.80
St. Paul Society—per capita tax....		5.85
Maine Association—per capita tax..		20.10
Illinois Association—per capita tax.		135.90
Massachusetts Association—per cap- ita tax .....		254.10
<i>Amounts carried forward.....</i>	<i>\$1,038.24</i>	<i>\$474.30</i>

	Dr.	Cr.
<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	<i>\$1,038.24</i>	<i>\$474.30</i>
Maryland Association—per capita tax .....	61.65	4.65
Denver Society—per capita tax....	84.00	99.30
New York Association—per capita tax .....	29.55	15.00
Pennsylvania Association—per capita tax .....	6.60	11.10
Canada Association—per capita tax..	6.00	107.25
Texas General Society—per capita tax .....	14.10	124.74
Riverside Society—per capita tax...	14.10	\$1,038.24
San Diego Society—per capita tax..	\$1,038.24	\$1,038.24
San Francisco Society—per capita tax .....		
Ohio Association—per capita tax..		
Pacific Coast Association—per capita tax .....		
Collection at Convention.....		

*Photolithographing Fund.*

	Dr.	Cr.
1912 May 1. To Balance .....	<u>\$3,131.46</u>	
1911. May 1. Balance .....		<u>\$2,802.84</u>
1912. May 1. Interest on Balance 5/1/1911. \$126.12 Interest on White Fund.....	<u>202.50</u>	<u>328.62</u>
	<u>\$3,131.46</u>	<u>\$3,131.46</u>
1912. May 1. Balance .....		<u>\$3,131.46</u>

*Orphanage Fund.*

	Dr.	Cr.
<b>1911.</b>		
Oct. 9. Rev. J. B. Spiers.....	\$100.00	
<b>1912.</b>		
Mar. 12. Rev. J. B. Spiers .....	100.00	
To Balance .....	5,627.33	
<b>1911.</b>		
May 1. Balance .....		\$5,577.24
<b>1912.</b>		
May 1. Interest allowed on the account....		250.09
	<u>\$5,827.33</u>	<u>\$5,827.33</u>
<b>1912.</b>		
May 1. Balance .....		\$5,627.33

*Income Bissell Real Estate.*

	Dr.	Cr.
Taxes .....	\$2,596.40	
Repairs .....	203.83	
Insurance .....	802.52	
Broker's Commission and Real Es- tate Tax .....	53.83	
Continuation of Abstract.....	2.00	
Commission on collections and sales	1,088.56	
	<u>\$4,747.14</u>	
21-80 of Income paid Illinois Asso- ciation .....	1,316.36	
19-80 of Income paid Swedenborg Pub. Association .....	1,190.99	
40-80 of Income transferred to Gen- eral Income .....	2,507.34	
To Balance .....	145.83	
Rentals .....		\$9,496.00
Interest Vanguard Mfg. Co. to 8/11/1911 .....		120.00
Interest Vanguard Mfg. Co. to 6/11/1912 .....		145.83
		<u>9,761.83</u>
Interest Vanguard Mfg. Co. to 4/11/1913 (Note) .....		145.83
	<u>\$9,907.66</u>	<u>\$9,907.66</u>
<b>1912.</b>		
May 1. Balance (Vanguard Mfg. Co. note due 4/11/1913) .....		\$145.83

*National Church Sunday-School Building.*

	Dr.	Cr.
1911.	To Balance .....	\$2,900.00
May 1.	Balance .....	\$1,849.11
	Subscriptions from Eleanor T. Bou-	5.00
	schur .....	750.00
	Legacy from Estate Mary P. Ropes	
	Final settlement of interest Ropes	
	Estate .....	197.16
	Interest credited @ 4½ % .....	98.73
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	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00
1912.		
May 1.	Balance .....	\$2,900.00

*Washington Sunday-School Building Expense.*

	Dr.	Cr.
Paid Marshall & Marshall for survey of premises .....	\$12.00	
Thos. W. Marshall, Engineer for Architect .....	10.00	
Warren & Smith. Architects .....	650.00	
Collection on check received from Washington Society .....	5.23	
Thompson & Reed—extra insur- ance during building .....	112.70	
To Balance .....	4,464.79	
Received from Washington Society		\$5,230.83
Interest allowed on account.....		23.89
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	\$5,254.72	\$5,254.72
1912.		
May 1.	Balance .....	\$4,464.79

*Cash.*

	Dr.	Cr.
1911.		
May 1.	Balance .....	\$7,785.33
	General Expense per account ren- dered .....	14,690.88
	Convention Expense per account rendered .....	1,038.24
	Permanent Pension Fund per ac- count rendered .....	1,363.81
	Scroggins Interest .....	300.00
	Roller Interest .....	720.00
	Willett Interest .....	82.50
	Income Bissell Real Estate \$9,761.83	
	Less payments C. H. Cut- ler, Agent .....	4,747.14
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	5,014.69	
	<i>Amount carried forward.....</i>	<i>\$30,995.45</i>

	Dr.	Cr.
<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	<i>\$30,995.45</i>	
Proceeds sale 10 Houston Lt. & Power Co. Bonds .....	10,500.00	
Vanguard Mfg. Co. on acct. Bissell Property sale .....	500.00	
Wm. Hills, on acct. Bissell Property sale .....	500.00	
Eleanor T. Bouschur for Natl. S. S. Building .....	5.00	
Washington S. S. Building .....	5,230.83	
Thirza L. Westcott Legacy.\$1,800.00		
Less tax .....	50.00	
	1,750.00	
Mary P. Ropes Legacy for Washington Mission .....	630.88	
Mary P. Ropes Legacy for Natl. Church S. S. Bldg. ....	947.16	
G. B. Lapham paid on Mortgage....	1,000.00	
Est. Katherine Mooney, Mortgage paid in full .....	6,000.00	
Deposit on account of Women's Alliance .....	225.00	
General Income and Expense per account rendered .....		\$14,479.55
Convention Expense per account rendered .....		751.70
Pension Fund drafts per account rendered .....		1,255.60
Paid to Illinois Association (Income Bissell Real Estate) .....		1,316.36
Paid to Swedenborg Pub. Association (Income Bissell Real Estate) .....		1,190.99
Paid to Illinois Association on acct. sale Bissell Property .....		262.50
Paid to Swedenborg Pub. Association on acct. sale Bissell Property .....		237.50
Invested in E. J. Gee Mortgage....		2,000.00
Invested in Alex. Vitale Mortgage..		6,000.00
Invested in W. A. Willett Mortgage		1,500.00
Invested in 10 United Elec. Securities Bonds .....		10,100.00
Invested in 5 Southern Power Co. Bonds .....		5,000.00
Invested in 4 Milwaukee Elec. Ry. & Lt. Co. Bonds.....		3,860.00
Invested in 3 Adirondack Elec. Power Co. Bonds .....		3,000.00
Paid Rev. J. B. Spiers on Orphanage Fund .....		200.00
Washington Church S. S. Building Expense .....		789.93
Interest credited Swedenborg Memorial Fund .....		94.05
To balance .....		6,246.14
	<u>\$58,284.32</u>	<u>\$58,284.32</u>
May 1, 1912. Balance .....		\$6,246.14

<i>Trial Balance.</i>	Dr.	Cr.
Cash .....	\$6,246.14	
Notes Receivable (Vanguard Mfg. Co. due 4/11/13) .....	145.83	
Wm. Hills .....	1,400.00	
Vanguard Mfg. Co. .....	3,500.00	
Pension Fund Expense .....	153.10	
Mortgages:—		
John E. Roller, Texas..	\$12,000.00	
J. A. Scroggins, Texas..	5,000.00	
W. A. Willett, Texas...	1,500.00	
E. J. Gee, Texas.....	2,000.00	
Alex. Vitale, Providence	6,000.00	
G. B. Lapham, Newton..	5,000.00	
D. W. Battles, Brockton	3,000.00	
A. C. Dyke, Bridgewater	1,800.00	
	36,300.00	
Wyoming Real Estate .....	3,750.00	
Washington Church Real Estate (from which no income is de- rived) .....	100,000.00	
Bissell Real Estate .....	24,317.45	
2 Omaha Elec. Light & Power Co. Bonds .....	2,020.00	
20 United Elec. Securities Co.....	20,362.50	
2 Consolidated Elec. Light Co. (Maine) .....	2,020.00	
1 New York State Canal Bond.....	1,000.00	
655 shares B. & A. R. R. Stock....	147,375.00	
2 Utica & Mohawk Valley R. R. Bonds .....	2,020.00	
3 Adirondack Elec. Power Co. Bonds .....	3,000.00	
50 shares Northern R. R. Stock....	5,000.00	
10 Indiana Ry. Co. Bonds .....	10,200.00	
10 Grand Rapids Ry. Co. Bonds....	10,250.00	
2 Utica Elec. Light & Power Co. Bonds .....	2,080.00	
2 So. Carolina & Georgia R. R. Bonds .....	2,200.00	
3 St. Louis, Iron Mt. & So. Cons. Bonds .....	3,135.00	
3 Northern Texas Traction Co. Bonds .....	2,760.00	
5 Houston & Texas Central Gen- eral Bonds .....	4,450.00	
2 Herkimer County Light & Power Co. Bonds .....	2,000.00	
5 Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co. Bonds....	4,775.00	
10 Boston & Northern St. Ry. Bonds	9,100.00	
10 So. California Edison Co. Bonds	9,750.00	
2 Portland Gen'l Electric Co. Bonds	2,000.00	
7 Sierra & San Francisco Power Co. Bonds .....	6,475.00	
<i>Amount carried forward</i> .....	\$427,785.02	

	Dr.	Cr.
<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	<i>\$427,785.02</i>	
5 Equitable Gas & Elec. Co. Bonds	5,000.00	
5 Southern Power Co. Bonds.....	5,000.00	
4 Milwaukee Elec. Ry. & Light Co.		
Bonds .....	3,860.00	
12 shares Tremont Nail Co. Stock....	900.00	
General Income .....	\$ 3,335.02	
Income Bissell Real Estate.....	145.83	
M. C. Bissell Fund .....	40,000.00	
Photolithographing Fund .....	3,131.46	
Rufus C. Kimball Fund.....	1,000.00	
Emily S. White Fund.....	4,500.00	
J. J. Lehnens Fund .....	977.76	
Washington Mission Fund.....	5,678.20	
Louisa L. Chase Fund.....	690.85	
Richards Fund .....	1,000.00	
Mary A. Morrison Fund.....	1,905.00	
Wilkins Fund .....	3,768.75	
Jenkins Fund .....	2,000.00	
Susan J. Emerson Fund.....	280.00	
Anna C. P. Hammatt Fund.....	400.00	
Wales Fund .....	5,000.00	
Mrs. M. E. DuPont Fund.....	5,630.00	
Alexander Officer Fund .....	1,000.00	
Alfred E. Ford Fund.....	5,900.00	
Henry Kendall Fund .....	2,879.00	
Simpkins Fund .....	20,000.00	
Sophia W. Hayden Fund.....	3,000.00	
Sarah B. Ehrman Fund.....	2,500.00	
Martha D. Gardner Fund.....	84.56	
Henry Siebert Fund .....	500.00	
Lewis G. Lowe Fund.....	2,000.00	
Wentz Fund .....	1,000.00	
Income Ford Fund (unexpended)		729.07
Income Thirza L. Westcott Fund		42.79
Mary P. Ropes Fund .....	73,575.00	
Geo. M. Barker Fund .....	2,599.57	
Edward W. Brown Fund .....	2,118.04	
Mrs. Dorinda N. Shepard Fund..	4,910.00	
Lewis Ryder Fund .....	1,000.00	
David L. Webster Fund .....	10,000.00	
Theodore F. Wright Fund.....	2,000.00	
Orphanage Fund .....	5,627.33	
National Church S. S. Building..	2,900.00	
E. O. Ropes Fund for Bd. of Mis-		sions .....
E. O. Ropes Fund for General		5,000.00
Convention .....	73,800.00	
E. O. Ropes Endowment Fund		10,000.00
For N.-C. Messenger.....	100,000.00	
Washington Church Fund.....	1,989.70	
Wm. Donaldson Fund .....	1,750.00	
<i>Amounts carried forward.....</i>	<i>\$442,545.02</i>	<i>\$416,347.93</i>

	Dr.	Cr.
<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	<i>\$442,545.02</i>	<i>\$416,347.93</i>
Illinois Association .....	1,286.25	
Swedenborg Pub. Association....	1,163.75	
Permanent Pension Fund.....	19,057.30	
Washington S. S. Build. Expense	4,464.79	
Women's Alliance Deposit.....	225.00	
	<b>\$442,545.02</b>	<b>\$442,545.02</b>

JAMES RICHARD CARTER,  
*Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct, and securities examined and  
found correct as above.

W. W. TOWLE,  
H. H. CARTER.

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

The General Council has held six meetings since the last Convention, two in Chicago on June 13th and 14th, 1911, one in New York on January 18th 1912, and three in Washington, on May 11th and 13th 1912.

The Council passed a resolution, following the expressed desire of Convention, declaring the President of Convention to be acting General Pastor of all of those parts of the body which are not in the jurisdiction of a General Pastor of an Association and also urged President Smyth to meet with as many Associations as possible.

At the January meeting a committee consisting of Rev. S. S. Seward, Mr. Wm. M. McGeorge, Jr., and Hon. Job Barnard was appointed to draw up suitable resolutions to be presented to Convention regarding the passing into the other world of Mr. C. A. E. Spamer.

Mr. Paul H. Seymour was elected Secretary of Convention and of the General Council and Mr. J. Woodruff Saul was elected Assistant Secretary.

The proposed Constitution and By-Laws has received further attention and a number of minor changes have been sanctioned by both the Council of Ministers and the General Council.

Consideration has been given to the recommendation made by the President of the Convention, looking to the securing of a pure Latin text of the *Arcana Coelestia*, and a committee consisting of Rev. Messrs. W. L. Worcester and S. S. Seward was appointed to see what could be done in a practical way to proceed with the work proposed. After conferring with the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, the Committee reported these facts to the Council, namely:

By a vote passed at a Conference of publication societies, held in London in connection with the Swedenborg Congress, in July, 1910, the initiative in the publication of future Latin editions of the theological works of Swedenborg was left with the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society. The Publishing Society gives assurance of its deep interest, and recognizes its responsibility to take the initiative in the proposed work. It feels that the details of the work should come under its care, but in view of the importance and expense of the undertaking, the Society hopes that financial aid will be given by various organizations of the New Church in America and abroad.

In view of these facts, the General Council recommends the adoption by Convention of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the General Convention is deeply interested in the proposition to secure a pure Latin text of the *Arcana Coelestia*, and directs the General Council in its discretion to co-operate with the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society in the work as definite plans are developed.

Upon the recommendation of the General Council, the New-Church Board of Publication has prepared 300 copies of a tentative edition of the Book of Worship now presented to Convention for the first time.

A committee was appointed and funds appropriated to aid the editor of the *MESSENGER* in having all meetings of the General Convention and affiliated bodies fully reported in a series of special numbers of the *MESSENGER* to be issued for the purpose.

The Rev. H. S. Conant was appointed as head of the Bureau of Information, to fill the place made vacant by the death of Mr. Spamer.

The Council commends to the favorable consideration of Convention the formation of an Augmentation Fund as suggested by President Smyth, and should the Convention so desire, the Council is willing to help develop a plan for the carrying out of such a use.

The adoption of the following resolution is recommended to Convention:

Whereas, the opportunity has arisen to secure the services of Mr. John Daboll as paid Secretary of Convention to devote his entire time to the uses of the Church, with the understanding that a salary of \$2,000.00 be provided by an appropriation of \$1,000.00 from Convention and the remainder from other bodies of the Church or from subscriptions of friends, therefore

Resolved, That the General Council be authorized to engage Mr. Daboll for one year as paid Secretary of Convention and if such be the pleasure of Convention that he be elected as Recording Secretary.

Respectfully submitted.

JULIAN K. SMYTH, *Chairman.*

PAUL H. SEYMOUR, *Secretary.*

### REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

The Council of Ministers met in the church of the Baltimore Society, Calvert Street, near Chase, Tuesday, May 7, at 3 p. m., and continued in session there through Wednesday and Thursday. Thirty-six ministers, two authorized candidates, and two students were in attendance.

#### CONSECRATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF CONVENTION.

The following was adopted:—

WHEREAS, The General Convention at its last session has expressed the wish that the President of the Convention be empowered to act in the capacity of a General Pastor (Minute 110, Journal, 1911), and whereas, the rite of solemn investiture with these powers, usual in introducing into the General Pastorate of an Association, is eminently suitable in introducing one into so wide a field of use; therefore, be it recommended to the Convention that the Rev. Julian K. Smyth, the present incumbent of the Presidency, and all future incumbents who are given similar powers by the Convention, who shall not have been personally and solemnly invested with the General Pastorate, be introduced by the rite of consecration as provided for in the Liturgy of the Convention.

Furthermore, be it recommended that the General Pastors be asked to make arrangements for the consecration of Mr. Smyth on Sunday next at the National Church in Washington.

#### CONSECRATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE MAINE ASSOCIATION.

A request having been received from the Maine Association for the sanction of the Convention to the temporary investiture of its President with the powers of a General Pastor, after reference to the Committee of General Pastors, and with its recommendation, the following was adopted:—

*Resolved*, That the Council of Ministers recommends to the Convention that the application of the Maine Association be granted, and that the sanction of the Convention be given to the temporary investiture of the Rev. Baman N. Stone with the powers of General Pastor, during his continuance in the office of Presiding Minister of the Maine Association.

The Council also adopted the following:—

*Resolved*, That the Convention be asked to provide for the investiture, by sacred ceremony, of the President of the Maine Association, the Rev. Baman N. Stone, during the term of his office, with the powers of a General Pastor.

## ORDINATION OF JOHN H. ENNS.

An application for the ordination of John H. Enns, of Rosenort, Manitoba, having been presented by the President of Convention, and referred to the Committee of General Pastors, who reported the following, it was,

*Resolved*, That the Council recommends to the Convention that the application of the members of the New Church in Manitoba for the ordination of John H. Enns be granted, the time of the ordination to be fixed by the President, the Rev. Julian K. Smyth, and Mr. Enns.

## THE NEW BOOK OF WORSHIP.

In accordance with the instructions of the Council last year, (page 59, Journal, 1911), the Committee on Prayers and Rites, in co-operation with the Committee on Liturgy Revision, reported in print, for tentative use, a new edition of the Book of Worship. After extended discussion of the report, of which notes were taken by the Committee for final revision, the following action was taken.

1. It was voted to reconsider the action of last year with regard to the Statement of Faith; and it was then voted to so change the sentence, "So He became the Redeemer of the world, without whom no mortal could have been saved," that it shall read, "So He became the Redeemer of the world. Without Him no mortal could have been saved."

2. It was voted to omit the first "also" in the Lord's Prayer, because there is no equivalent for it in the Greek, and because then the English-speaking New-Church people of both continents will offer the Lord's Prayer alike. The sentence thus amended will read, "Thy will be done, as in heaven, so upon the earth."

The following was then adopted:—

*Resolved*, That the Council of Ministers report to Convention the revised Book of Worship, prepared by the Committees on Prayers and Rites and on Liturgy Revision, and ask Convention to request its publication by the Board of Publication, and to recommend its use by the Societies of the Convention—after final revision by said committees.

## CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

The Council of Ministers has concurred with the General Council in making several minor changes in the joint report to be made to Convention; and has asked that Council

to concur in changing Article V, Section 1, so as to read as follows:—

A member of the New Church, after suitable preparation in the Convention Theological School, or by a course of study under the supervision of a General Pastor, or by preparation satisfactory to the Council of Ministers, may be authorized by a General Pastor to lead in worship, to teach the doctrines of the Church, to lecture, and to officiate at funerals, under his supervision; such authorization to be renewed annually. Persons so authorized shall be known as Authorized Candidates or Preachers.

#### THE TRANSLATION OF THE WORD.

The Committee on the Translation of the Word presented the following report:—

During the past year Rev. John Whitehead, Chairman of the Committee, has prepared a translation of the Book of Isaiah for revision by the Sub-Committee; and also a translation of the Apocalypse. These will now be duplicated with accompanying notes for the use of the Sub-Committee.

In view of the scattered membership of the Sub-Committee, and the impossibility of meeting together, it has been decided to appoint a smaller working committee which can meet frequently for discussion and conference in the work of revision. This Committee consists of the Chairman, Rev. John Whitehead, Rev. J. E. Werren, and Rev. William F. Wunsch.

The Rotch Trustees having indicated their willingness to co-operate with the Committee in the publication of a series of Commentaries on the Prophets, if a suitable plan can be made, which will meet with the approval of some of our more experienced ministers, it has been suggested to them that in such a series of books, I. The translation made by the Committee and Swedenborg's Latin translation be printed in parallel columns. II. That Swedenborg's explanations be printed as in their other commentaries on Matthew and John prepared by Rev. Messrs. L. G. Hoeck and Robert S. Fischer. III. That suitable notes be added bringing out the various points of the text needing explanations and comment.

As such a plan needs very careful consideration, we recommend to the Council of Ministers that a Committee be appointed to have the matter in charge to form a plan and secure the co-operation of the Rotch Trustees, and we suggest the names of the Rev. Wm. L. Worcester, President of the Theological School; Rev. Julian K. Smyth, President of the Convention; and Rev. John Whitehead, Chairman of the Committee on the Translation of the Word. By such a

series of publications the materials for study in making the final revision of the translation of the Word would be available in convenient form for use, and a series of valuable commentaries would also be prepared for the use of the Church.

The collection of materials made by the Committee during many years, which is very valuable, has been deposited in the Archives of the Convention, in the fire-proof library building of the Theological School. These include the twenty volumes of the Tafel MSS.—Greek-Hebrew vocabularies—representing work of many years by the Rev. L. H. Tafel. These books are in very poor bindings and some are coming to pieces. They should have new substantial bindings for their preservation. The excerpts from Swedenborg of Latin quotations from the Word, mounted on cards placed in thirty-six suitable boxes, in card catalogue form, have also been deposited in the library building. Two copies of the new edition of Tafel's German Bible have been purchased for the use of the Committee.

Rev. John Whitehead was elected Chairman and Rev. Harold S. Conant, Secretary-Treasurer for the coming year.

The Committee recommended to the Council that the usual appropriation of \$450.00 be recommended to the Convention.

The Financial report is appended.

Respectfully submitted,

*JOHN WHITEHEAD, Chairman.*

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

##### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand as per last report.....	\$155.65
From the Treasurer of Convention.....	250.00
	<u>        </u> \$405.65

##### EXPENDITURES.

Salary of John Whitehead to June 1, 1912.....	\$300.00
Secretary's expenses to Chicago.....	30.25
June postage .....	2.00
December postage .....	2.00
Boxes for Card Catalogue Swedenborg.....	8.91
German Bibles, stationery, etc.....	8.00
	<u>        </u>
	\$351.16
Balance in Bank .....	54.49
	<u>        </u> \$405.65

Respectfully submitted,

*H. S. CONANT,  
Treasurer.*

In accordance with the recommendation of this report it was voted that the Rev. Messrs. William L. Worcester, Julian K. Smyth, and John Whitehead be a Committee to confer with the Rotch Trustees regarding the publication of a series of commentaries on the Prophets.

And it was voted to ask Convention to make the usual appropriation of a sum not exceeding \$450.00 for the work of this Committee for the ensuing year.

#### DAILY READINGS FROM THE WORD AND WRITINGS.

The Committee which for many years has prepared an annual calendar of daily readings from the Word and the Writings, inasmuch as the new Book of Worship contains such a calendar, recommended that the Committee be discontinued. This recommendation was adopted by the Council.

#### COMMITTEE ON THE INTERPRETATION OF THE WORK ON CONJUGIAL LOVE.

The Committee was appointed at the request of Rev. Arthur Mercer to study with him the doctrinal positions of his pamphlet; and since his withdrawal from the Convention has made the existence of the Committee no longer necessary it has been discontinued.

#### RESOLUTIONS ON THE WRITINGS AND THE WORD.

The Council would report with regard to the resolutions referred to it by Convention (Minutes 126, 127, Journal, 1911), that a committee of two to present papers on the subject was appointed, and respectful consideration was given to the matter, with the result that the Council of Ministers does not regard the Resolutions as well founded.

#### PETITION REGARDING WORK ON CONJUGIAL LOVE.

A petition signed by Mrs. Jane Dearborn Mills and 198 others in various parts of the country was received, requesting the Council to recommend to Convention the publication of an abridgement of Swedenborg's work on "Conjugial Love." The following reply was adopted:—

To Mrs. James E. Mills and others, signers of the petition relating to an "Abridged Edition of Marriage Love."

Dear Friends in the New Church:

The Council of Ministers has received and considered your petition. The Council sympathizes heartily with the desire to make

the teachings of the New Church concerning marriage as widely useful as possible, and to do this in ways which will avoid misunderstanding or misuse of any part of what Swedenborg has written on the subject.

We call attention to the fact that at least three plans have been suggested and are now before the Church for accomplishing the purpose in view:

(1) The publication of a volume of selections from the writings of Swedenborg upon the subject of marriage, somewhat similar in purpose to the volume published by the Rev. B. F. Barrett in his Swedenborg Library, but perhaps more full, and using a better and more readable translation.

(2) The publication of an edition of the whole work on Marriage Love, with careful annotations on all different points of translation or doctrine. Especially would such notes put particular teachings in the light of fundamental doctrines of the Church.

(3) The plan proposed by your petition: the publication of a volume to be known as "Marriage Love Abridged," which shall differ from "Marriage Love" only in the omission of such passages as in the judgment of the Editors might be misunderstood and made excuse for evil life; the book to be issued by the authority of the General Convention and to state on its title-page that the abridged volume contains of the work "Conjugial Love" all which the Convention stands for as doctrines for practical living.

Perhaps no one of the plans suggested is free from difficulties but in the sincere desire that any action which may be taken shall be the best and wisest possible, we feel compelled to point out certain objections which prevent our regarding favorably the plan suggested by the petition.

The propriety of using or publishing selections from the Writings of Swedenborg with a view to meeting special needs has been and is now freely recognized in the Church. But when theological works of Swedenborg are published in part, and not entire, the parts so published should, we believe, be chosen by a process of selection, which preserves toward the whole teaching the affirmative attitude, which our doctrines commend, and not by a process of elimination or rejection which encourages the negative attitude, which our doctrines condemn.

When selections from Swedenborg are published as representing the doctrine of the Church, we believe that such selections and publication should be done by individual editors and publishing societies of the Church, and not by the Convention or any general body of the Church, for the reason that such selections should be controlled simply by considerations of utility in meeting recognized needs, and should not claim or desire authority as emanating from the general body of the Church. Such appearance of authority, we believe, should be carefully avoided. The Convention has at times thought it right to declare its understanding of the doctrine of the Church upon certain points, but its position must be reached through a broad and enlightened understanding of the whole teaching, and not by an attempt to separate teaching from teaching.

For these and other reasons the Council cannot favor the plan proposed by the petition. It does not feel prepared at once to adopt or to give its approval to any of the plans thus far proposed, nor does it feel ready at present to make any recommendation to the Convention on this subject; but in the earnest desire that all plans of action

shall have thorough consideration, and that the action to be taken shall be the wisest and best, the Council has appointed a Committee of five members, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. W. L. Worcester, J. K. Smyth, C. W. Harvey, Paul Sperry and W. F. Wunsch, to consider the plans already suggested for making the teachings of the New Church concerning marriage more widely useful, to receive from all persons who are interested reasons for or against any of these plans, and to receive also any further plans that may be suggested, and to report its conclusions to the Council at its meeting next year.

In behalf of the Council of Ministers of the General Convention,

Very faithfully,

Louis G. Hoeck,  
*Chairman.*

H. Clinton Hay,  
*Secretary.*

Baltimore, Md., May 9, 1912.

#### MINISTERS' MEETINGS.

Reports were received from Ministers' meetings in Maryland, Massachusetts, and Illinois. That from Illinois reported that a request from Rev. A. B. Francisco that his name be withdrawn from the list of ministers of that Association had been granted.

#### REVISION OF THE ROLL.

The Council recommends to Convention the following changes in the list of ministers:

That the name of Baman N. Stone be transferred from the list of Pastors and Ministers to that of General Pastors.

That the name of John H. Enns be transferred from the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers to that of Pastors and Ministers, provided his ordination shall take place before the printing of the Journal.

That the name of Arthur Mercer be removed at his own request from the list of Pastors and Ministers. And that the names of Edward C. Mitchell and H. F. von K. Crownfield, deceased, be removed from that list.

That the name of Louis Alexander Dole be added to the list of Authorized Candidates and Preachers, and that the name of Nelson Henry Clafin be removed from the list by reason of expiration of license.

**MEMORIALS.**

Committees were appointed to prepare memorials of the deceased to present to Convention as follows:—

Of Rev. H. F. von K. Crownfield, by Rev. Messrs. J. K. Smyth and J. C. Ager.

Of Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, by the Rev. Messrs. L. G. Landenberger and Axel Lundeberg.

By appointment the Rev. Harold S. Conant presented the following:—

Whereas, the Lord in His Divine Providence has seen fit to remove to the spiritual world our dear lay brother, the late Christian Augustus Emanuel Spamer, who for twenty-one years was the efficient servant of the General Convention at the important and arduous post of Secretary:

We therefore greatly desire to put on record our appreciation of Mr. Spamer's services, and our sense of loss, even to this body with which he was not organically connected, in his withdrawal to the higher uses to which the Lord has called him in the life eternal.

This memorial was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

**ANNUAL SERMON.**

The annual sermon was delivered by the Rev. James Reed of Boston, Tuesday evening, and was accompanied by the usual religious service, which was conducted by the pastor of the Baltimore Society, the Rev. Harold S. Conant. Mr. Reed chose for his text the words, "With thee will I establish my covenant." (Genesis vi. 18). He showed that the covenant of the New Church is that of the Lord in His second coming realized in His glorified presence in His Holy Word.

The Rev. George S. Wheeler was chosen to preach the next annual sermon, and the Rev. Russell Eaton was chosen alternate.

**CONFERENCE.**

By invitation the Rev. John R. Hunter had prepared a paper on the "Present Status of the Bible in the Christian World," which in his absence was read by the Secretary; and the subject was discussed in Conference by the members of the Council.

**LETTERS TO ABSENT MEMBERS.**

The Secretary was directed to send a letter to the Rev. S. S. Seward, expressing the sympathy of the Council in his illness; also one to the Rev. C. Louis Carrière congratulating him on his arriving at the fiftieth anniversary of his ministry.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS.**

The Chairman, the Rev. Louis George Hoeck, and the Secretary, Rev. H. Clinton Hay, were re-elected for another year.

**HOSPITALITY.**

The following was adopted by a unanimous rising vote:—

The Council of Ministers of the General Convention takes pleasure in expressing its hearty thanks to the Baltimore Society for its kindness in opening its house of worship to the Council and for its courteous hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis G. HOECK, *Chairman.*

H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

**REPORT OF THE CORPORATION OF THE NEW-CHURCH  
THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.**

The records of the meetings of the directors during the past year show a quiet but persistent effort to provide for the needs of the school, to the end that the instructors may carry on their courses with efficiency and the students receive the greatest possible benefit from their studies.

Early in the year electricity was installed in the chapel and the school for use of stereopticon. The large collection of photographs acquired for use in the electric lantern is thus made available. One of the directors has generously provided a suitable cabinet for the orderly storing and safekeeping of the slides.

To perform the work of the Department of Elocution formerly carried on by Professor Harvey, now of Philadelphia, Mr. George J. Parker, of Boston, was engaged to teach elocution, and Professor Copeland, of Harvard University, to give Bible Readings, and Rev. William F. Wunsch, of Bath, to conduct the course in Church History.

During last summer Rev. John Whitehead made a most complete, modern, and satisfactory catalogue of the books of the school library. It is of interest to note that Mr. Whitehead found among the boxes of books stored away several copies of the first editions of Swedenborg's Works, and other rare books of very great value.

Two cases of books of considerable value were received from the library of Mr. Thompson, of Milford, Conn., the gift of his daughter, Miss Louisa H. Thompson.

Since the very establishment of the Theological School at Cambridge, Harvard University and Harvard Divinity School have extended to our students and professors all the privileges of their libraries on the same terms as granted to their own University and theological students. After the library of the Harvard Divinity School was merged with the library of the Andover Theological School and housed in a new building, our students and professors were invited to make free use of the consolidated library. The directors of our school expressed their hearty thanks for these privileges, and reciprocated by inviting the professors and students of the Harvard Divinity School and the Andover Theological School to make free use of our library.

President Worcester and the other instructors of our school accepted the invitation of the President and Trustees of the Andover Theological School to be present at the dedication of their new buildings and took such parts in the exercises as were assigned them.

Rev. Frank Sewall of Washington, D. C., delivered two lectures before the students on subjects closely connected with the work of the school.

A committee of the directors is planning to provide another recitation room on the second floor of the school building.

Mrs. Rufus L. Thurston of Boston has presented to the school large framed photographs of the Pantheon and Forum at Rome which have been hung in the school hall.

Rev. William Diehl of Brooklyn, N. Y., has presented to the school a very interesting model of the Tabernacle which is the result of a special study of the subject carried on by him for several years.

WILLIAM W. TOWLE, *President.*

WALTER A. ROBINSON, *Clerk.*

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE NEW-CHURCH  
THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.**

**ARTHUR REED, TREASURER, in account with THE NEW-CHURCH  
THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.**

Dr.—APRIL 1, 1911.

Balance of expense account on hand .....	\$508.50
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**DIVIDENDS ON STOCKS.**

Boston & Albany R. R.....	\$140.00
Boston & Maine R. R.....	72.00
Boston & Providence R. R.....	50.00
Old Colony R. R.....	21.00
National Bank of Commerce, N. Y.....	40.00
Merchants N. Bank, N. Y.....	10.50
Pittsburg Traction Co.....	<u>2,000.00</u>
	<u>2,333.50</u>

**INTEREST ON MORTGAGES.**

A. Freedman .....	\$450.00
First Baptist Society, Brockton.....	144.00
Brookline New Church Society.....	315.00
F. C. Granger.....	630.00
M. J. Angland.....	281.25
G. L. Woodman.....	200.00
L. B. Terry.....	321.22
J. M. Woods.....	225.00
Jonathan White .....	450.00
S. C. Lowe.....	400.00
L. E. Bates.....	160.00
H. B. Wilbur.....	62.50
R. C. Bridgham.....	375.00
M. D. Knowles.....	100.00
Padelford Hughes .....	<u>12.50</u>
	<u>4,126.47</u>

**INTEREST ON BONDS.**

N. York Central R. R .....	\$150.00
Pacific Telephone & Tel. Co.....	100.00
United Electric Securities Co.....	500.00
Calumet & Hecla M. Co.....	150.00
Grand Rapids & Muskegon Power Co.....	250.00
St. Paul Gas Co.....	50.00
American Telephone & T. Co.....	60.00
Terminal Association, St. Louis.....	120.00
Maine Central R. R.....	<u>390.00</u>
	<u>1,770.00</u>
<i>Amount carried forward .....</i>	<u>\$8,738.47</u>

<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	\$8,738.47
Income from General Convention funds.....	2,832.83
Repayment of Randall Hall board bills.....	317.28
Subscription towards Library—	
Mrs. F. A. Vanderlip .....	\$50.00
W. J. Hoe.....	10.00
Edward Sherer.....	10.00
C. H. de Silver.....	50.00
	120.00
Rent of house, 42 Quincy St.....	800.00
Repayment of taxes and care of 42 Quincy St.	476.75
New-Church Institute of Education.....	118.78
Estate of Mary Eveleth.....	185.25
Estate of Caroline Cox.....	176.59
Mass. N.-Church Union, Clark Fund.....	400.00
Interest on bank account.....	86.38
Repayment of grading expenses.....	5.00
Sale of correspondence school notes.....	5.00
N.-Ch. League account, from Rev. W. L. Worcester .....	2.00
	<u>\$14,264.33</u>

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Salaries of Instructors.....	\$9,900.00
Care of buildings, janitor.....	593.94
Extra labor and care of 42 Quincy St....	482.58
Taxes, 42 Quincy St.....	248.75
Expenses of removing earth and watering streets .....	33.22
Repairs of buildings .....	195.92
Insurance—	
Chapel .....	\$337.50
Storage building.....	9.60
Books .....	10.50
	357.60
Randall Hall board bills.....	306.36
Electric light fixtures, light and gas.....	92.06
Advertising .....	125.00
Catalogues .....	67.00
Fuel .....	293.03
Printing .....	23.25
Accrued interest on bonds bought.....	125.42
Telephone .....	10.40
Appropriation for Treasurer.....	200.00
Miscellaneous expenses .....	327.04
	<u>\$13,381.57</u>
April 1, 1912—Balance on hand.....	882.76
	<u>\$14,264.33</u>

**E. & O. E.**

Examined and found correct.

H. H. CARTER.

JAMES RICHARD CARTER.

**ARTHUR REED,  
Treasurer.**

*Investments of the Corporation, April 1, 1912.***MORTGAGES.**

Brookline New Church Society .....	\$7,000.00
G. S. Woodman, Newton.....	4,000.00
M. J. Angland, Boston.....	5,400.00
S. C. Lowe, Newton.....	8,000.00
Jonathan White, Brockton.....	10,000.00
Lucian E. Bates, Boston.....	4,000.00
R. C. Bridgman, Newton.....	7,500.00
First Baptist Society, Brockton.....	3,200.00
Timothy M. Woods, Brockton.....	4,500.00
A. M. Granger, Boston.....	14,000.00
M. D. Knowles, Providence.....	2,000.00
Alfred and Sarah Freedman, Brockton.....	9,000.00
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	\$78,600.00

**BONDS.**

\$ 7,000 Maine Central R. R.....	\$6,750.00
\$ 3,000 N. Y. Central R. R.....	2,970.00
\$10,000 United Electric Securities Co.....	10,235.00
\$ 5,000 Grand Rapids & Musk. Powder Co....	5,000.00
\$ 3,000 Terminal Assn., St. Louis.....	3,000.00
\$ 1,000 St. Paul Gas Co.....	955.00
\$ 3,000 Calumet & Hecla M. Co.....	3,060.00
\$ 2,000 Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.....	1,937.50
\$ 3,000 Amer. Tel & Tel. Co.....	2,765.75
\$ 2,000 Portland General Electric Co.....	2,000.00
\$ 3,000 Detroit Edison Co.....	3,060.00
\$ 3,000 Old Colony Street R. R. Co.....	2,700.00
\$ 3,000 Massachusetts Gas Co.....	2,955.00
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	47,388.25

**STOCKS.**

800 shares U. Terminal Co., Pittsburgh....	\$40,000.00
16 shares B. & Albany R. R.....	3,200.00
16 shares B. & Maine R. R.....	2,042.00
3 shares Old Colony R. R.....	516.00
5 shares B. & Providence R. R.....	1,200.00
3 shares Merchants N. Blk., N. Y.....	450.00
5 shares Nat. Bank of Commerce.....	780.00
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	48,188.00
Real Est. and Furniture and Books at Cam- bridge .....	102,000.00
Cash on deposit in New England Trust Co.	1,143.58
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	\$277,319.83

Securities examined and found correct, April 1, 1912.

JAMES RICHARD CARTER,  
HENRY H. CARTER.

## REPRESENTING FUNDS; ETC., AS FOLLOWS:

Cambridge Real Estate Fund.....	\$25,094.35
Endowment Fund .....	68,585.07
Hayden Endowment Fund.....	30,640.21
Chapel Building Fund.....	26,368.60
Elocution Endowment Fund.....	40,000.00
Asa Weeks Fund.....	6,441.74
Henry C. Thacher Fund.....	10,000.00
Lydia Worcester Fund.....	19,922.50
R. P. Boynton Fund.....	1,683.21
Elizabeth Talbot Fund.....	1,948.03
Frances R. Gibson Fund.....	18,355.04
Land Purchase Fund.....	5,010.00
Theodore F. Wright Fund.....	2,000.00
Eliza O. Ropes Fund.....	10,000.00
Sophia Knight Fund.....	1,000.00
Eveline A. Cozzens Fund.....	2,484.75
New Library Fund.....	925.00
Expense Account Balance.....	3,618.95
R. B. Rogers Fund Balance.....	63.88
Loan Account .....	3,000.00
Increase and Decrease .....	178.50
	<u>\$277,319.83</u>

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.**

From the meeting of the Convention in 1908 to that of 1911 the Board of Managers appointed no Executive Committee, desiring to give the new President the greatest possible help by having the full Board meet with him for conference whenever he thought best. At the last meeting of the Board, June 13, 1911, at Chicago, this seemed no longer necessary and an Executive Committee was appointed consisting of the Rev. Messrs. William L. Worcester, James Reed, John Goddard, George S. Wheeler, and H. Clinton Hay, and Dr. John T. Prince. The usual Board of Visitors was also appointed consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Frank Sewall, Julian K. Smyth, H. Clinton Hay, George S. Wheeler and Charles W. Harvey and Dr. John T. Prince.

The School has been running so smoothly, now that Mr. Worcester has moved to Cambridge and has become accustomed to its direction, that only two meetings of the Executive Committee have been needed during the year. At the first it was *voted* that the Rev. Frank Sewall be invited to give two lectures at the School on "The Transient and the Permanent in Christianity," at a time to be arranged by the President. It was also *voted* that the spring vacation occur during the meetings of Convention in order that the teachers and students might attend, and that the Committee recommend to the Directors that the expenses of the students in attending the Convention be paid.

The Board of Visitors have spent two days at the School together, and some of its members have made separate visits. A report on the condition of the School as they found it has been made to the Managers, showing that while the preparation of the students for the work of the School is not all that could be wished, all else is satisfactory.

The library of the School has continued to enjoy generous appropriations from the income of the Rice Legacy, which have been of great assistance in completing the re-arrangement and cataloguing of the books. This work has been efficiently done by the Rev. John Whitehead, and upon the recommendation of the President and Executive Committee he has been appointed the Librarian of the School.

It has been voted that the closing exercises occur June 19.

The report of the President follows as a part of the report of the Board of Managers to the Convention:—

*To the Managers of the New-Church Theological School:*

During the present year five students have been in attendance at the School: Leslie E. Wethey, from New Zealand, doing third year work; Norman O. Goddard, of Massachusetts, doing second year work; Gould J. Brown, of Ohio, and Joseph Höllrigl, from Austria, doing first year work. Howard C. Hunt, of Ohio, has been doing mainly preparatory work, but during the second half has come into some classes with the first year men. The students are earnest, and a good spirit is in all our work. We miss the Rev. Charles W. Harvey from our corps of instructors. His work in voice development and reading has been continued by Mr. George J. Parker for the voice development and Mr. Charles Townsend Copeland, of Harvard University, for Bible reading. The department has been under the general care of the President, who has given personal care to the delivery of sermons, in connection with the department of Homiletics and Pastoral Work. The Church History which for several years was taught by Mr. Harvey, has been continued by the Rev. William F. Wunsch, who has made visits every other week from Bath. There is prospect that Mr. Wunsch will next year be located nearer to Cambridge, and his visits to the School may be more frequent. Work in other departments has continued on established lines. The time demanded of the several instructors is very unequal, as in some subjects it is an advantage to take all the students together, but in other subjects the work of the three years must be kept distinct. The demands upon the Rev. J. E. Warren in the department of language have been especially great on account of the necessity of giving preparatory instruction in addition to the work of the regular School courses.

Besides the five resident students, we should report several non-resident students who are doing active and intelligent work by correspondence, especially in the departments of Scripture Interpretation, Theology, and Preparation for Sunday-school work. One also has been doing good work in Hebrew, by correspondence. These correspondence students are in widely separated places; three in California, one in Missouri, two in Michigan, three in Illinois, one in Mississippi, one in Maryland, one in the District of Columbia, one in Mexico, two in British Guiana, one in Copenhagen, one in the Island of Mauritius. The correspondence students include ladies and several ministers in active service; one student

is doing advanced Scripture study; another sends sermons for criticism.

Of our five resident students, two have been preaching regularly for the whole year and the other for a considerable part of the year. The other three are engaged regularly in Sunday-school work. This practical service in the use of the minister, if not allowed to become too exacting, is most helpful in bringing an appreciation of the use, and a love of the use into the School work.

The library of the School has during the year been brought into order and carefully catalogued, chiefly by the Rev. John Whitehead, who has given much service freely to the School besides that paid for by the Rice Fund. The fact is becoming known in the Church, that the School has the nucleus of a valuable library, and a place of safe keeping for rare books, and several valuable gifts have been made to the library during the year. We should mention especially the gift of his entire theological library left by bequest to the School by the late Rev. E. C. Mitchell; also valuable gifts of books from the library of the late Henry G. Thompson, from Mr. Horace P. Chandler and others. Important gifts of their own publications have also been received from publication societies of the Church. The library now contains over six thousand volumes, besides those from Rev. E. C. Mitchell, which have not yet been put upon the shelves. We have one hundred and twenty volumes of the original Latin editions of Swedenborg, many of them containing from two to eight separate works. There are four sets of the photolithographs of Swedenborg's manuscripts. We have many early editions of the English translations and many copies of early collateral works. Our sets of the English and American New-Church magazines are nearly complete.

We have also received large additions to our collection of mounted photographs of Bible lands, and to our collection of lantern slides. These pictures we are glad to make useful not only through the students in their Sunday work, but by lending to Sunday-schools and missions. The Rev. William Diehl, of Brooklyn, has given us an interesting model of the Tabernacle of Sinai, on which he has spent much study and careful work.

We continue to receive the kind support of the Cambridge New-Church Society, which worships in the chapel of the School, and enjoy friendly and helpful relations with our neighbors, Harvard University and the Harvard and Andover Divinity Schools. We have been granted free use of the large Andover-Harvard Theological Library, and have extended the

privileges of our library to the professors and students of the Harvard and Andover Schools. By the courtesy of the Harvard Divinity School our professors and students have been enabled to attend without expense a course of lectures during the second half year, on Religious Education, by Professor George Albert Coe.

It is too soon to speak certainly of our prospects for next year. It is probable that four of our present students will continue in the School, one only finishing his work this June. One new student is definitely expected from abroad. It is possible that for some, correspondence work may lead to residence of a year or more at the School. We hope that every society of the New Church and every member of the New Church will make it a personal duty to encourage the coming of earnest young men to the School.

Respectfully submitted,

W.M. L. WORCESTER.

The term of office of the following named members of the Board expires at this time: the Rev. James Reed, William McGeorge, Jr., H. Clinton Hay, and Baman N. Stone.

In behalf of the Board of Managers,

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES REED, *Chairman.*

H. CLINTON HAY, *Secretary.*

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.**

The past year has been one of increased activity of the Board, marked by larger undertakings and apparently increased success. The largest single undertaking has been the placing of a missionary in Texas, under contract for three years' service, to devote his exclusive energies to that one State. Already the one chosen, Rev. C. W. Broome, has been located in San Antonio about six months and the good results of his work are beginning to appear. The people there are themselves responding heartily and are undertaking as large a part of the burden of meeting local expenses as possible, and it is expected that their contributions will steadily increase. The next largest undertaking begun this year has been the establishment of Rev. Axel Lundeberg in Minneapolis to work especially among the Swedes in that vicinity, and his work is bearing fruit. Under the auspices of the Board, acting in co-operation with the Canada Association, Rev. C. E. Ritter made a month's missionary trip in the eastern provinces of Canada, and found a ready field for the spread of the teachings of the New Church. Rev. Louis G. Landenberger made a trip of one month, under the direction of the Board, into Northwest Canada, preaching in both German and English. The Board has helped the Society in Los Angeles to maintain services under the leadership of Rev. Thomas French, Jr., and his work and influence there have proved exceedingly beneficial. Mr. T. Mower Martin spent three months last summer in missionary work for the Board.

Assistance has been given for the first time this year to the work of Rev. G. Lawrence Allbutt in Baltimore, and Rev. Jacob Schroeder in Northwest Canada. Assistance has been continued as heretofore to the California, Ohio, and Maine Associations for local mission work, and support has been continued to Rev. F. L. Higgins in Fairhope, Ala.; Rev. J. E. Thomas in Mobile, Ala.; Rev. J. R. Stewart in Biloxi, Miss.; Rev. M. F. Underwood in San Diego; Rev. H. C. Dunham in Denver; Rev. C. J. N. Manby in Sweden; Rev. S. C. Brönniche in Denmark; and Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz in Switzerland and Germany. Dr. N. H. Clafin has resigned from his work as colporteur in California. Rev. Junius B. Spiers has continued his efficient work all through the South as missionary for the Board, under its exclusive employ. Books and tracts for distribution have been sent to various points, and the

Board has placed about 750 copies of the old edition of the Magnificat where they would help local mission centers. Assistance has been given to the mission in Georgetown, B. G., toward the purchase of an organ. The Board has subscribed \$56 for subscriptions to the new Czechish paper published by Mr. J. V. Janecek in Prague, Bohemia, and the copies are distributed to Czechs in this country.

The total receipts of the Board for the past year from all sources were approximately \$8,000, and the total expenditures have been approximately \$9,000. There are promising fields untouched which the Board would like to reach, and on this score a continually increasing income is necessary. The Board has been obliged to refuse help at several places where self-sacrificing work is being done by men we ought to encourage. More has been accomplished this year than in any previous year, at least in recent times, and the response of contributors has been increased. There is need of more, and it is earnestly hoped that there may be a much larger list of small contributions in addition to the larger ones that have encouraged the Board the past year. No amount is too small to be of direct service in pushing mission work, for the expense of operation of the Board is at a minimum. Word comes of a number of ministers of the old church and young laymen who are looking forward to the ministry of our church, and we must have the means to take advantage of their services when the time is ripe.

The correspondence of the Board comes from many quarters, even from India and Japan, and furnishes a valuable index to the spread of the truths of the New Jerusalem throughout the world. No correspondence has been received in connection with the mission work of the German Synod mentioned in the last report. In regard to the third of the matters referred to the Board by the Convention, the Board would report that there is no present need of appointing a supervising or general missionary. The present outlook is hopeful, and the work of the Board is being pushed as forcibly and widely as possible with the means at hand. All matters are carefully considered by the Executive Committee, meeting monthly, and an abstract of each meeting is submitted to all the members of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM WARREN TOWLE,

PAUL SPERRY, *Secretary.*

*President.*

**Report of the Rev. Junius B. Spiers, Richmond, Va.**

During the year I have preached in Richmond twenty-five Sundays. A number of strangers have visited the library and borrowed books and tracts. I have visited a number of lawyers, physicians and business men, engaging in conversation on the doctrines and leaving tracts. I have held several parlor meetings, and gave a lecture on correspondences in the Unitarian church at Highland Springs, a Unitarian settlement five miles distant. In the southern field I have visited three times each, Savannah, Jacksonville, Atlanta and Chattanooga, preaching five Sundays in Savannah, one service each Sunday, six Sundays in Jacksonville, two services each Sunday; three Sundays in Atlanta, one service each Sunday for the New Church circle, and one Sunday afternoon preaching to a good audience at the Universalist church on Swedenborg and his teachings, and one Sunday in the public library hall on the Psychology of Swedenborg, before the Psychological Society. About fifty were present. The president of the society invited me to address them on my next visit in July on the subject of Correspondences, and urged all the members, of whom there are about one hundred, to read Swedenborg's works (of which there is a full set in the library), so as to be prepared to ask questions intelligently. Two Sunday meetings were held in Chattanooga, and a number of calls made in the suburban towns. One visit each was made to Knoxville, Clinton, Harriman, Crossville and Johnson City, Tenn. At Peavine, Tenn., I spent several days, holding services Sunday morning and evening in a schoolhouse, with an audience of about sixty at each meeting. At Pineora, Ga., I made three visits, holding meetings in the schoolhouse Sunday afternoons, with an average attendance of sixty. Sunday services were held at Southwood, and Swannanoa, N. C. A number of smaller places on the circuit were visited where there are one or more New-Church people. As it seemed desirable to give more time to the city circles, I have been obliged to skip a number of places where I have heretofore called at least once a year. One new place has been visited, namely, Augusta, Ga., where I found one New-Church family.

Have administered the Holy Supper fifteen times, baptized two infants and one adult, and officiated at three funerals.

To remove the necessity of carrying burdensome packages of literature, I have had books and tracts shipped by

freight to points in North Carolina and Tennessee, where the postmasters were members of the New Church, and they have been by them mailed to individual addresses as furnished by me from time to time. By a singular coincidence, I was in Jacksonville, Savannah, Atlanta and Richmond, on the occasions of the annual reunions of the Scottish Rite Masons, of which I am a member, and interested many in Swedenborg's doctrines of correspondences at each place, who requested literature, which was mailed them. Individually I have distributed about two thousand tracts. About three hundred of these were Esperanto New-Church leaflets, furnished me from England, distributed at lectures on Esperanto at the De Soto Hotel in Savannah, and at parlor Esperanto meetings held elsewhere. I have delivered several lectures before secular organizations in which the subject under consideration was illustrated by reference to the doctrines of the New Church. Such references have on several occasions given rise to requests for literature. There has been received from the field \$481.07 (including the balance from last year of \$61.52), as follows: Savannah, \$73; Jacksonville, \$153.80; Atlanta, \$43.25; Chattanooga, \$53; miscellaneous and through the Richmond Mission, \$96.50. Traveling expenses in the field and maintenance of the Richmond Mission, including New Magnificats for Richmond, and books of worship for Jacksonville, have been met, leaving a balance of \$36.70 in hand.

I hear from the lay missionary, Mr. J. R. Stewart, Biloxi, Miss., that he is holding regular Sunday meetings with an average attendance of twenty-five.

#### Report of the Rev. W. H. Adkins, Winslow, Ark.

The past year has been one of quiet and earnest activity among the few New-Church people of northwest Arkansas.

We have held but few public services during the year. I have preached but twelve sermons, and two funeral addresses. Our effort has been directed principally to teaching and instruction in the doctrines of the Church to individuals and in private homes, and the distribution of literature.

Realizing that the Lord is not in the whirlwind of excitement, nor the fire of selfish zeal, but in the still small voice of truth, as it finds its way into the inner consciousness of men, we ever seek so to present the truth that it may meet the rational faculty of the understanding, and thence descend into the life.

**Report of the Rev. S. Chr. Bronniche, Copenhagen, Denmark.**

During my stay in Stockholm (April and May, 1911) the divine worship of the Society was continued under the leadership of one of the members, Mr. Alfred Schroder, who has taken up a study of our doctrines by correspondence with the Theological School in Cambridge, Mass. Having spent about a month in vacation I again began the work for the church here July 16.

The regular meetings on Sundays have been better attended than last year, and more harmony inside the congregation has been gained.

October 20 I held in Copenhagen—in a large and fine rented hall—a public lecture on one of the burning questions of the day, which has occupied the papers a good deal, "*The doctrine of the miraculous conception of Jesus and its bearing on true Christianity.*" I had done all to advertise it in the best manner possible and to some leading papers I had even sent particular information, but not a word was said in any paper in regard to it. One paper called "Kristelight Dagblad" (The Christian Daily News), would not even receive the advertisement, though it was paid for it. The attendance was about 80 persons, who followed the lecture with much interest.

During the winter season I have held weekly lectures in our church hall concerning the last temptations of our Lord. The whole series I have called: *From Gethsemane to Golgotha.*

The Sunday-school has also been continued regularly. The young people's class, mostly consisting of girls from 20 years of age (about 15) has also met regularly in my home every Monday evening.

Two children have been baptized and four members, one of whom was a child, have been called to the other life. I officiated at the funerals. The Holy Supper has been celebrated four times.

It is to be regretted that the printing of the "True Christian Religion" in Danish, the manuscript of which is in the possession of the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society, had to be postponed, inasmuch as the issuance of this most important work of our church surely would contribute essentially to the progress of the cause in Denmark, where the prospects of progress beforehand are but small.

I also feel how much the progress of the church work here is dependent on a New-Church paper like that which for more than six years has been edited by me, and I have decided to do all I can to make the reappearance of "Den Nye Tid" (The New Age) possible in some way.

**Report of the Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz, Zurich, Switzerland.**

Since my last report, I visited again the New-Church circles in Austria, Hungary and Germany. In Vienna there was held, on Pentecost 1911, the first General Convention of New-Church believers in Austria-Hungary, an inspiring meeting of representatives from all parts of the country—Triest, Bohemia, Moravia, Tirol and Hungary—visitors from Switzerland and Germany being present. Measures toward a somewhat united and more effective proceeding in spreading the New Church in Austria-Hungary were discussed, and resolutions were passed to that effect. Services were held, communion was administered, and one member from Moravia was introduced into the New Church by baptism. The meeting was useful and great in its sphere of love to the Church and in the unanimity of the representatives of so many national ties. The addresses delivered in Czech and Italian were translated into German. It is intended to hold a like meeting once in three years in one of the centers.

I spent some days in Budapest, Gyorkony and Tengelicz, Hungary, preaching, lecturing and administering the Holy Supper in the several circles. The German societies in their chauvinistic Hungarian surroundings have little possibility for growth, as the German language is being more and more suppressed.

In Littau, Moravia, I visited Mr. Hora and his family. In his home I baptized his wife and two daughters, and held a service at which also a married couple from another town in Moravia was present, who had become interested in the New Church by Mr. Janecek's periodical "Novy Jeruzalem."

In Prague, Bohemia, I spent a few days with Mr. Janecek and his wife; in their home I held a service with about twenty persons, among them several newcomers. Mr. Janecek is actively at work in propagating the New-Church doctrines. With his bi-monthly "Novy Jeruzalem" he seems to have much success; letters of appreciation arrived each day during my stay. He translated for me the headings of a well-arranged biography of Swedenborg, which he intends to publish simultaneously with "H. H." He as well as his wife are exceedingly valuable instruments in the establishment of the New Church in Bohemia, and it is to be hoped that, in time, he will be enabled to give his whole time to the holy cause which he even now serves with so much zeal and ability. After visiting a New-Church family in Gorlitz, Silesia, I returned to Zürich.

In October, I went to the various places in Germany. I visited isolated New-Church persons in Dresden and Heidenau, Saxony, and spent a week in Berlin, where I preached, lectured and administered the Holy Supper to the Society. I also delivered two public lectures, attended by 200 to 250 persons. Though this seems encouraging, I regard as the chief use the work in established societies, since hardly ever any new members are gained in that public way.

In Bielefeld, Westphalia, I delivered three public lectures, the last of which was well attended, and I held several services in the homes of some believers. There are quite a number of sympathizers who come every year to these services, but never will they form a society of the New Church which would include separation from the state church and be regarded as a sect in the sense of narrow-minded dissenters. This fear keeps most of them in the old church. Besides, an annual visit is not enough to keep these things foremost in their minds.

In Remscheid, near Cologne, I called upon an isolated family, and in Frankford, upon a Professor Voigt at the Academy, who is working at the problem of how far Immanuel Kant was, in his philosophy, influenced by Swedenborg. In Stuttgart and surroundings I visited the different members and receivers and preached at the annual meeting of the German Swedenborg Society. After there had been but a passive interest in the Church with most of the members during the past years, there were members present from various parts of the kingdom of Wurttemberg this time who showed a lively interest in the propagation of the New Church. The book agent of the society reported a sale of the Writings in the past year for M. 1250 (\$312.00).

In Switzerland, the work is going on steadily. I preached regularly in Zürich, Berne, Herisau and Nesslau, gave regular doctrinal instruction to several groups of young people, and visited the isolated members in the country. One hundred and seven persons partook of the Communion once or several times during the year. Five children were baptized, and four new members were received at the last assembly. The "Monatblätter für die Neue Kirche" were published as heretofore.

The Building Fund of the Zürich Society amounts to Fr. 2677 (534 dollars). The society has started a separate fund for purchasing a lot, since for this purpose about Fr. 30,000 (6,000 dollars) will be needed. Three hundred "Obligationen" (shares) of twenty dollars each were issued on which no interest will be paid and which will be paid back ten shares each

year to be selected by lot, beginning with the year 1917. The treasurer of the Board of Missions, Mr. Lloyd A. Frost, has kindly consented to act as agent of our society in your country, and we hope our American friends will help us to raise the fund in this way.

A further event which I should like to mention is that, since last August, the new German translation of the Word is out for sale. It was prepared by the late Rev. Louis H. Tafel, being a thorough revision of the translation made by his father, Dr. Leonhard Tafel, about forty years ago. It was printed here in Zürich chiefly at the expense of the German Missionary Union of the New Church in Philadelphia.

**Report of the Rev. Clyde W. Broomell, San Antonio, Texas.**

In response to the invitation of the Board of Missions to take up a three years' campaign, along constructive lines, for the church in Texas, I tendered my resignation to the Roxbury Society, in Boston, and arrived in Texas in time to begin regular work in San Antonio, November 26, 1911.

Our first service was a Thanksgiving gathering of twenty-five people from New-Church families, and one stranger. We met in the Odd Fellows' Hall. For a few services following, we met at the parlor of one of our members, thinking it best first to get the New-Church circle together, aroused and acquainted with our plans, and ready to take hold when I could get thoroughly settled and ready for uninterrupted work. We soon found a hall for Sunday evening service, and later secured the attractive hall of the Woman's Club, where we are now holding services both Sunday morning and night. Our night services are the most popular, averaging over thirty, and reaching as high as fifty-two. As soon as we were settled, we opened our parlors for a midweek Bible talk, inviting all who cared to come. Strangers came very frequently, and we averaged in attendance about twenty. Temporarily, this arrangement had to be changed to allow me to make trips outside the city. In its place we immediately started a Friday evening doctrinal talk, with especial effort to interest those considering uniting with the Church.

The Convention is already aware of the organization called the "Texas New-Church Society," a body corporate, consisting of all New-Churchmen in the state. Since my arrival we have organized and received a charter of incor-

poration from the state, for "The San Antonio New-Church Society," with a charter membership of fourteen. At Easter time we expect several additions to this number. Two of our members are non resident, and we seldom have more than ten members at one service, so our young folks and strangers often outnumber the members three to one.

The members of Convention are not generally aware that a bequest has recently been left to it, in trust, amounting to some \$20,000, for the purpose of New-Church work in Texas alone, and specifically providing that half of it should go to San Antonio and half to El Paso, provided that the former has a membership of fifty within five years, and the latter the same membership within ten years. Because of this, and seeing the immense opportunities here by consecutive work, I have, with the Board's consent, concentrated my efforts at this one point for the present. I believe that with uninterrupted work, in one year we can have the requisite membership of earnest and thoughtful people.

By invitation, I have spoken at various gatherings in San Antonio, and in that way made special effort to display New-Church principles to helpful advantage. In this way I have reached several hundreds of people outside the Church and have been encouraged afterward to see some of them at our services.

I seldom go down town now without seeing some one on the street or in an office or business house with whom I have a chance to talk on our purpose here.

We have made no great effort to advertise except through the accustomed Church notices in the papers. The papers have given several good reports of our sermons.

I have made one trip to Pearsall, and preached to fifty people, and remained an extra day to get around among those interested. Several such trips will have been made before Convention convenes.

Seven plans for extensive trips have been submitted to the Board for their advice, all of which would take a year of uninterrupted effort to complete.

I wish also to enlist the co-operative interest of the Convention in a plan to help me develop a course of lectures and conduct classes at some suitable summer resort, such as Cloud Croft, in New Mexico, just out of El Paso. In that way we could lay the foundation for the work which we are somewhat in honor bound to attempt for

El Paso at a later time. At this place we could have a loaning library and a few select works for sale. Cloud Croft, in the summer, is like San Antonio in the winter, notably a touring center. We could touch people there, as I have begun to do here, from distant parts.

The supply of literature brought down here last spring is exhausted, and my private stock of about a hundred pieces is gone. It would be well to have a careful selection for sale here in addition to matter for free distribution.

From November 26 to March 31, a period of seventeen weeks, I have preached twenty-nine times, lectured before the Frio County Teachers' Institute, also to a labor organization, a literary club, a class in the San Antonio School for Mental and Physical Culture, conducted twelve Bible talks, administered the Holy Supper twice, April 1st, 1912, and officiated at one marriage.

Texas and the American Southwest are predicted to be the cotton and agricultural basis for the first World Civilization. I take this opportunity to express my delight in this new field, ripe with opportunities for the inception of the New Church.

#### **Report of the Rev. C. J. N. Manby, Stockholm, Sweden.**

I beg to report that the public services, during the year 1911, were 45, and that the average of the audiences was about 66, the maximum being 116 and the minimum 42. The partakers of the Holy Communion, celebrated four times, were respectively 27, 34, 38 (on Wednesday) and 27.

The Sunday School "Bible hour" (on Sunday evenings), and the Arcana class (on Wednesday evenings) have been kept up as usual.

Our organization has been made firmer, the Society of Gottenburg also having been recognized by the King on the 1st of December. Thus we will have our first "general församling" (General Assembly) on the 19th of June next, here in Stockholm, with representatives from both the recognized societies. At the West-Swedish New-Church meeting at Gottenburg on the 29th and 30th of July, very well attended, a resolution was passed to go to the King for having the society recognized.

Having finished the translation of the large and last volume (the 17th) of the *Arcana Coelestia* on the last of May,

I am glad and thankful also to have seen it through the press now, and at this important occasion I feel obliged most thankfully to acknowledge the generous pecuniary help given us, both before and now, from the noble American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society.

Also last summer I was glad to make missionary journeys, visiting 16 places, amongst them the beautiful bathing place Marstrand on the western coast. The hearers there were between 200 and 250. But also in many other places the audiences were very good; for instance, in the well-known city of Carlstad in Wermland, above 200.

As usual a large amount of literature was sold and distributed.

**Report of Jar. Janecek, Bohemia, Austria.**

I send in the names of the Bohemian friends the most hearty greetings to the annual Convention, wishing that the Lord may give His richest blessing to all conclusions of this meeting.

At this occasion I will give a short report of our activity for the New Church in our country.

I. Since the year 1911, I have published the New-Church paper called "The New Jerusalem" in the Bohemian language; this paper is the first and only New-Church paper in all Slavish languages. It has a circulation of 600 copies and is sent to the Austrian-Hungarian monarchy, Bohemia, Moravia, Silesia, Upper and Lower Austria, Slavonia, Croatia, Hungary, Bosnia and also to America. This newspaper has been supported by the American Board of Missions in the first year (1911) with \$35 and in the second year (1912) with \$25 for which support I express herewith my best thanks, also to the individual members in America who have supported through Prof. J. E. Werren the mission in Bohemia with the remark that these contributions are not used for me personally, but for the expenses of printing.

II. I have written a biography of Swedenborg which covers 160 pages of print. This biography will be published this month with the help of our friends in America and England.

III. My Bohemian translation of the work "Heaven and Hell" is now in print and will come out in the autumn of this year.

IV. For several years every Thursday we have held our religious meetings which consist of New-Church prayers, reading from the Word and of short lectures by myself. We sing also New-Church songs and hymns which I have composed or translated; the tune is taken from "Die Liturgie der Neuen Kirche in America."

V. I have kept up correspondence with different readers of my paper to strengthen them in the heavenly doctrines. With this end in view, I visit them also in their homes and in this way, that is by personal conversation, I hope to find earnest and true members for the New Church.

Certainly it would be of great use for the further development of an organized New-Church life, if a minister could permanently stay with us, who knows the Bohemian language, because our members do not understand German or other languages.

VI. The Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz of Zürich visits us once every year, which contributes very much to our encouragement.

This is a short report of my humble work for the New Church of the Lord in Bohemia, a work to which I can only devote nights and Sundays because of my vocation, and in which I am greatly helped by my wife and by my friend Ed. Hova in Moravia.

We wish to all who attend the meeting in Washington the richest blessing of the Lord and we are with you in these days in prayer and in spirit.

**Report of the Lay Missionary League of the New Church,  
Cleveland, Ohio.**

Within the last five weeks, the League has sent to every minister and to every leader of Societies who have no ministers, also to a great number of individuals, all told to 527 different addresses, a circular letter asking them to distribute the leaflet, "The Lord's New Church" and the illustration "Towards a Better World."

Mr. Geo. C. Warren has mailed 5,000 of them to residents of Brookline, Mass. Rev. Axel Lundeberg used 1,000 of the folders. No other orders have come in so far, but quite a few persons have responded to the appeal for financial support to the uses of the League.

The Executive Committee was unanimous in its opinion, that the Cleveland Chapter of the Lay Missionary League

should try out the different methods that have been suggested by the members of the Committee, and that would suggest themselves as the work proceeds.

As a result, we point to the excellent growth of the Bible School, a mission enterprise started in the northeastern part of Cleveland. The average attendance at the thirty-five sessions has been twenty-eight. Out of this number nineteen have been non-members of the New Church. We are in close personal touch with over eighty persons, some of whom have come very regularly, others from time to time, but all are highly interested. The great desire of some of them is now to know more of the internal sense of the Word, and, therefore, we have started a Bible class which meets Tuesday evenings. The prospects of this first one of a number of missions that we shall successively open in Cleveland, are great.

We are especially indebted to Rev. Thomas A. King, for his grand lectures once a month which draw great audiences, ranging from sixty-two to one hundred and twenty. Rev. John R. Hunter has also contributed greatly to the success by either leading meetings or answering questions after the regular discourses. The latter forms quite a prominent part of our meetings, which are for the other part, of a devotional nature with very simple service. So far, seven lay members have alternately conducted the Bible School.

We are sure that lay people everywhere can do a great deal to help the Church. Everyone ought to consider himself a center, and gather around him for the study of the Word, one or two friends unacquainted with its internal sense, and he will realize how much good seed he thus can sow. For helps, we can take either "The Helper," "Sunday Afternoons" or Swedenborg's own works. Divine influx is according to effort, and the more we give, the more shall we receive.

This is only a feeble beginning, but we hope, work and pray that this kind of work shall be taken up everywhere, under God's sun wherever there are organized societies or individual receivers of the doctrines of the New Church. The success of this first mission, organized by lay people, shows to us clearly that the Lord's Providence is with us, and is guiding our steps.

Respectfully submitted,

OTTO PFISTER, *Secretary.*

**Report of the Rev. Axel Lundeberg, Minneapolis, Minn.**

Since July, 1911, when I was appointed the Missionary of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions for Minneapolis, Minn., and vicinity, I have delivered 34 sermons and one lecture in the city of Minneapolis, attended by 458 persons; held 12 parlor meetings attended by 49 persons, and made 303 calls on 145 families. During the same time I have distributed in the city 5,000 printed handbills and 200 large cardboards with a portrait of Swedenborg advertising our services, and mailed 340 letters and postal cards calling attention to the meetings; 100 printed invitations to our parlor meetings have been mailed or given away. I have distributed 1,775 pamphlets and books, including 600 at the Minnesota State Fair and 75 at the land show in St. Paul, thus reaching distant sections of our state. Ninety copies of works of Swedenborg in Swedish and 75 in English have been sold at our meetings. The collections at the services amount to \$62.52, which has been used for paying hall rent, printing of advertising matter, etc., no balance being left on hand. The last Sunday of every month the service has been in the English language.

There is a great need of New-Church literature in Swedish, and I have found it necessary to import from Sweden works of Swedenborg and collateral works for \$35.00, for which I have no funds on hand, and consequently have to sell the books to cover the cost. Pamphlets in Swedish for free distribution would be a great help in my work. Another desideratum is a cheap edition of *Heaven and Hell* in Swedish.

I also have just started the publication of a four-page New-Church monthly in Swedish mainly for the purpose of advertising our services and books. The first issue will be out by the end of next week. My intention is to print 500 copies per month at a cost of \$10, and by charging a subscription price of 50 cents per year for the sheet I hope to be able to cut down our heavy advertising expenses for handbills, etc.

While the exceptionally severe winter weather did cut down the attendance at our meetings during the months of December and January, still I am glad to say that the interest for the New Church is increasing, as is manifested also by the nearly 100 letters of inquiry I have received from various parts of our state. It should also be taken into consideration that many of our friends and sympathizers are prevented by work and business from attending our services regularly.

**Report of the Rev. Jacob Schroeder, Larned, Kansas.**

I wish to report of my effort among the German and English New-Church people in Kansas and on the Pacific Coast. I have preached at the following places: Moundridge, Dorrance, Rozel, Kinsly, and Pawnee Rock, Kansas, four times in German and four times in English; and in Ordway, Colo., San Diego, Long Beach, Huntington Park, Riverside, Reedley, and San Francisco, Cal., Portland, Dilley, Polk, and Ballston, Ore., I have preached twenty-four times in German and twenty-four times in English; in all, fifty-six times since the last General Convention.

At Polk, Ore., I baptized three children whose names were Maria C., Anna C. and Jacob C. Reddekopp, and at Ballston, I baptized eight: Mrs. Catherine Haynes and her five children, Mrs. Leila Kimsey and Miss Cassie Sears. I also administered the Holy Supper at Ballston and at Portland. The hearers at all points seemed much pleased with our visit and expressed thanks for the ministration and exposition of the New-Church doctrine.

**Report of the Rev. F. L. Higgins, Fairhope, Ala.**

New-Church services have been conducted in our home, every Sabbath afternoon, during the past year, in Fairhope, with the exception of three Sundays. Two of these were stormy, and the third was spent on a steamboat, in a party of 24 people from Fairhope, making a trip of a week's duration, up and back on the Tombigbee River. Besides preaching on Sunday to all the passengers on the boat, New-Church literature was freely distributed to them and also to the officers of the boat. One of the pilots was found very receptive of these Doctrines, and much pleased to get the New-Church literature, and a copy of "Heaven and Hell" and also of "Daisy Dryden," which were presented to him. He had not heard of Swedenborg, or the New Church before we met him.

On the trip back toward Mobile, an old Confederate veteran came on board, in whose presence I at once felt a very peaceful sphere, and found him a man of unusual spirituality; and although he had not before heard of the New Church, or of Swedenborg, he said, when the cardinal Doctrines of the New Church, i.e., the "Lord," the "Sacred Scripture," etc. were explained to him, that he could see that they were true, and had long felt that the doctrines of the so called "orthodox" churches, were very unsatisfactory.

Although as elsewhere there are many discouraging conditions in the New-Church work in Fairhope, yet both Mrs. Higgins and I feel that it is a very important field to hold and cultivate. The town is being quite rapidly built up, and a prosperous growth seems assured for the future. Its fame is world-wide, and people come here for the winter from many parts of the North; and in summer from various inland places in the South as well as many from Mobile.

A number of people, who have come to our services have become deeply interested in the Doctrines, as a result. And a New-Churchman in the East, who in the near future intends to come here and build himself a home on land that he owns right in the town, said to me on a visit he made some months ago, that he would deed a lot on his tract, for a New-Church structure as soon as we were ready to accept it, which I hope may not be very far ahead.

[May,

**TREASURER'S REPORT.**

**LLOYD A. FROST, TREASURER, in account with THE BOARD OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.**

*Sustaining Fund.***Dr.**

May 1, 1911, To balance.....	\$2,778.88
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April 30, 1912, To amount received during year per reports in New-Church Messenger:

181 individuals .....	2,867.00
21 societies .....	708.96
Trustee of Kirk Fund .....	400.00
Rev. C. W. Broomell, collected in Texas, 1911 trip.....	92.00
Refund on expenses, 1911 trip .....	62.49
Canada Association, one-half expenses of Rev. C. E. Ritter, 1911 trip .....	76.99

**Income Endowment Fund—**

Interest Home Bank.....	\$7.04
Dividends Edison Electric.....	60.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel.....	35.00
Boston & Maine.....	28.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.....	40.00
Fitchburg Preferred.....	50.00
Amer. Tel. & Tel.....	88.00
General Electric.....	40.00
Boston & Albany.....	43.75
Boston Elevated.....	30.00
Penn. R. R.....	58.50
Interest N. Y., N. H. & H. 6s.....	6.00
Penn. R. R. 3½s.....	26.25
	512.54

Interest on current account, New England Trust Co.....	43.97
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**Treasurer General Convention—Income  
Sundry Funds—**

Donaldson .....	\$89.53
One-half Wilkins.....	84.79
One-third Hayden (Home).....	45.00
One-third Hayden (Foreign).....	45.00
One-half Kendall .....	64.77
One-half Barker.....	58.48
Kimball .....	45.00
Officer .....	45.00
Lowe .....	90.00
Washington Mission .....	374.33
Mary P. Ropes.....	953.75
Eliza O. Ropes.....	956.66
Emerson .....	12.60
Eliza O. Ropes (Mission).....	225.00
Wright .....	90.00
	3,179.91
<i>Amounts carried forward.....</i>	<i>\$7,542.83</i>

<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	\$3,179.91	\$7,542.83
Siebert .....	22.50	
Ropes Funds, accrued income.....	531.67	
		3,734.08
<b>Income Special Fund—</b>		
Du Pont (Louisville Society).....		278.35
Total .....		<u>\$11,555.26</u>

April 30, 1912—Payments for year as follows:

**HOME WORK.**

Rev. J. B. Spiers, 2 mos. at \$125.00.....	\$250.00	
Rev. J. B. Spiers, 10 mos. at \$137.50.....	1,375.00	
Expenses to Chicago Convention, 1911.....	50.00	
		<u>\$1,675.00</u>
Texas, Rev. C. W. Broomell, balance 1911 trip .....	\$100.00	
Texas, Rev. C. W. Broomell, moving to Texas .....	500.00	
Texas, Rev. C. W. Broomell, 6 mos. 4 days, at \$166.66 per mo.....	1,022.18	
		<u>1,622.18</u>
Ohio Assn., 12 mos. at \$25.....	\$300.00	
Ohio Assn., for Toledo Society.....	100.00	
		<u>400.00</u>
Maine Assn., Rev. H. C. Small.....	200.00	
Washington State Assn., Rev. Jacob Kimm.....	\$50.00	
Washington State Assn., Rev. W. P. Hart-hill .....	25.00	
		<u>75.00</u>
California, San Diego Society, 12 mos. at \$35, Rev. M. F. Underwood.....	\$420.00	
California, Los Angeles Society, Rev. Thomas French, Jr., 4 mos. at \$50.....	200.00	
California, N. H. Claffin Colporteur, 4 mos. at \$25 .....	100.00	
		<u>720.00</u>
Rev. M. F. Underwood, expenses western trip .....	50.00	
Winslow, Ark., Society, Rev. W. H. Adkins.....	100.00	
Denver, Colo., Society, Rev. H. C. Dunham, 12 mos. at \$33.33.....	399.96	
Rev. James E. Thomas, Mobile, Ala., 12 mos. at \$15 .....	\$180.00	
Rev. James E. Thomas, trip to Tuskegee..	10.00	
		<u>190.00</u>
Rev. F. L. Higgins, Fairhope, Ala., 8 mos. at \$25.....	\$200.00	
Rev. F. L. Higgins, 4 mos. at \$10.....	40.00	
		<u>240.00</u>
<i>Amount carried forward.....</i>		<u>\$5,672.14</u>

<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$5,672.14
Rev. J. R. Stewart, Biloxi, Miss., 12 mos. at \$10 .....	120.00
L. E. Calleja, additional expenses Chicago Convention, 1911 .....	10.00
T. Mower Martin, western trip.....	\$125.00
T. Mower Martin, expenses.....	54.80
	179.80
Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Canadian north- west trip .....	\$125.00
Expenses .....	124.30
	249.30
Rev. G. Lawrence Allbutt, Baltimore, Md..	100.00
Rev. Jacob Shroeder, Larned, Kan.....	100.00
Rev. Axel Lundeberg, Minneapolis, 10 mos. at \$60 .....	\$600.00
Rev. Axel Lundeberg, Minneapolis, 10 mos. Convention, 1911 .....	50.00
Rev. Axel Lundeberg, expenses to Washing- ton Convention, 1912.....	50.00
	700.00
Rev. C. E. Ritter, Canadian trip.....	\$50.00
Rev. C. E. Ritter, expenses.....	133.98
	183.98
	7,315.22

## FOREIGN WORK.

Sweden, Rev. C. J. N. Manby.....	\$150.00
Denmark, Rev. S. C. Brönniche.....	150.00
Switzerland, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Rev. Adolf L. Goerwitz.....	325.00
	625.00
Louisville, Ky., Society, income of DuPont fund.	278.35
Salaries—	
Lloyd A. Frost, Treasurer.....	\$100.00
Rev. Paul Sperry, Secretary.....	200.00
	300.00
Books and Tracts—	
Rev. J. M. Shepherd, Pontiac, Mich.....	\$5.00
Magazine subscriptions .....	5.25
J. V. Janecek, Czech Paper, Prague, Austria	56.00
	66.25
Expenses—	
Treasurer, postage, telegrams, typewriting, etc .....	\$19.96
Secretary, postage, telegrams, typewriting, etc .....	13.00
Treasurer, surety bond .....	12.50
Exchange on checks.....	2.21
Post Office orders .....	7.20
Mailing and preparing Annual Appeal.....	88.55
Advertising in "Messenger" .....	15.00
Printing, express, sundry, etc.....	33.58
Traveling expenses, Executive Committee.....	19.30
	211.30
Amount carried forward.....	\$8,796.12

<i>Amount brought forward.</i>	\$8,796.12
Accrued interest, Am. Tel. & Tel. Co., new stock, 2 shares .....	4.00
Legacy tax, Kimball Fund, paid by Treasurer of Convention .....	<u>74.60</u>
Total .....	\$8,874.72
May 1, 1912, Balance.....	<u>2,680.54</u>
	<u><u>\$11,555.26</u></u>

**FUNDS HELD BY THE BOARD.****ENDOWMENT FUND.**

1911			
May	1.	Balance .....	\$10,949.28
July	9.	Peoria, Ill., Society .....	100.00
1912			
May	1.	Present Amount of Fund.....	\$11,049.28

**SAVANNAH FUND.**

1911*			
May	1.	Balance .....	\$593.49
1912			
April	15.	Interest Union Bank .....	24.06
			<u>\$617.55</u>
April	15.	Paid $\frac{1}{2}$ Income to Savannah Society.....	12.03
May	1.	Present Amount of Fund.....	\$605.52

**BRITISH GUIANA FUND.**

1911			
May	1.	Balance .....	\$888.43
1912			
April	15.	Interest Warren Bank .....	35.88
			<u>\$924.31</u>
April	3.	Paid F. A. Wiltshire for Organ.....	25.12
May	1.	Present Amount of Fund.....	\$899.19

## PROPERTY OF THE BOARD.

5 Shares Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Boston.....	\$1,075.63
5 Shares Boston & Albany R. R. Co.....	1,070.63
5 Shares Boston Elevated Ry.....	650.63
12 Shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co.....	1,430.01
5 Shares New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.....	538.13
7 Shares Boston & Maine R. R.....	932.86
5 Shares N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.....	710.63
5 Shares General Electric Co.....	555.63
10 Shares Fitchburg R. R. Preferred.....	1,206.26
20 Shares Pennsylvania R. R.....	1,319.56
\$100 N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., 6 per cent Debenture.....	100.00
\$1500 Pennsylvania R. R., 3½ per cent Convertible Bonds, due 1915 .....	1,440.00
Deposit in Home Savings Bank, Boston.....	19.31
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	\$11,049.28

Representing Endowment Fund.....	\$11,049.28
Deposit, Union Institution for Savings, Boston	605.52
Representing Savannah Fund.....	605.52
Deposit, Warren Institut'n for Savings, Boston	899.19
Representing British Guiana Fund.....	899.19
Deposit, New England Trust Co., Boston...	2,680.54
Representing Sustaining Fund .....	2,680.54
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	\$15,234.53
	\$15,234.53

LLOYD A. FROST, *Treasurer.*

Examined. Securities and cash found on hand.

W. W. TOWLE, *Auditor.*

**REPORT OF THE NEW-CHURCH BOARD OF PUBLICATION.**(Incorporated April 10, 1883. *See Minute 117, JOURNAL, 1882.*)

The organization of the Board of Directors of the New-Church Board of Publication for the year 1912-1913 is as follows:

**OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.**

*President*.—EDWARD PAYSON CALL, of New York City.

*Secretary*.—REV. ADOLPH ROEDER, of New Jersey.

*Treasurer*.—JOHN F. SEEKAMP, of New York City.

*Executive Committee*.—MESSRS. CALL, ROEDER, SMYTH, SHAW, SEEKAMP, HARVEY AND SCHOFF.

*Auditing Committee*.—MESSRS. W. J. HOE AND W. C. WHISTON.

Office and Salesroom, 3 West Twenty-ninth Street, New York.

*Manager*, John B. McGeorge.

**TERM EXPIRES 1913.**

Rev. James Reed, Mass.  
Dr. Louis Curtis Ager, N. Y.  
Edward Sherer, N.Y.  
John F. Seekamp, N. Y.  
Rev. J. P. Dresser, N. Y.

**TERM EXPIRES 1914.**

Rev. S. S. Seward, Mass.  
Rev. J. K. Smyth, N. Y.  
R. B. Carter, Mass.  
Rev. W. L. Worcester, Mass.  
R. A. Shaw, N. Y.

**TERM EXPIRES 1915.**

O. J. Mills, N. Y.  
Frederic Schoff, Penn.  
Charles N. Mason, N. Y.  
W. N. Hobart, Ohio.  
E. P. Call, N. Y.

**TERM EXPIRES 1916.**

H. W. Guernsey, N. Y.  
Eben Sugden, N. Y.  
Rev. A. Roeder, N. J.  
William McGeorge, Jr., Penn.  
Prescott A. Sherer, N. Y.

The Board takes much pleasure in reporting upon the following points:

1.—Our list of new publications for the year is:—

- (1) "Religion and Life," by Rev. Julian K. Smyth.
- (2) "Do the Dead Come Back?" by Rev. Julian K. Smyth.
- (3) "What Constitutes Spiritual Living," by Rev. John Goddard.
- (4) "Nature and Spirit," by Rev. Adolph Roeder.

We have also on the press another pamphlet by Mr. Smyth, under the title: "The Pearl and the Swine" which we hope to have ready in time for the meeting of Convention. For the first of these publications we are able to report an unusual sale. We can recall no other publication of which the first edition of 1,000 was entirely sold out within three weeks of the books leaving the press, as was the case with "Religion and Life." And the sale of the second edition is already well under way. Heavy demand is also anticipated for the pamphlet "Do the Dead Come Back?" both because of its intrinsic merits, and because of the popular interest in the subject and in Mr. Belasco's play, "The Return of Peter Grimm," upon which this essay is based.

It is permissible to class among these new publications a new edition of the "Child's True Christian Religion," of which we published an edition during the year.

We have two books by the Hon. John Bigelow on the press which we expect will be ready to deliver within a short time. They are that admirable treatise written by the venerable Statesman for private distribution some time before his entrance upon the other life, entitled: "The Bible That Was Lost and Is Found;" and an essay entitled "Resist Beginnings," which he wrote some time ago, published originally as a tract by the Philadelphia Tract and Publication Society, which we shall reprint and which is now on the press.

2.—The Magnificat and "Psalter and Chants." The distribution of the former under direction of vote of Convention has been accomplished during the year. Under that vote there was to be an exchange of new edition Magnificats for old. This exchange has been accomplished through the various bookrooms without serious difficulty and covers an exchange of 3107 copies. We have also been successful in disentangling much of the confusion attending the publication of so large a book under circumstances of excessive haste. Copyrights and honoraries have been paid and adjusted, plates and stock

freed from confusion and concentrated into one place, and the entire project now well in hand.

The latter work is being pushed as rapidly as possible in the hope of meeting the request of Convention to have a tentative edition ready in time for this session. Experience in the Magnificat enterprise has made it possible to handle this second proposition with better success, although it presents the same difficulties and complexities as the original Magnificat proposition.

Much of the increased and fruitful activity of the Board has been due to the fact that there has been a sense of resource in the additional financial support obtained through the proceeds of the Ropes Fund. This has been a decided help and has enabled us to do much that hitherto had to be relegated to the realm of the "hoped for, but unattained." A large field opens out before us. For the cultivation of it, increased resources of this nature are exceedingly welcome.

Further such bequests will assure the carrying forward of a work among the most useful now being done in and for the church, namely the work done by the Board of Publication.

3.—The work of distribution and sale has been virtually reorganized upon entirely new lines, as laid out by eminently competent authorities. Our finance and office report for the year will show the very satisfactory effect of this reorganization, as will the other departments of work, namely, the "Mailer," which with the help of the Rev. J. S. Saul, and the late C. A. E. Spamer, both of whom furnished us with lists, is being rapidly put into perfect working shape. With it we expect to still further increase the circularizing work, which has proven most useful in selling books; in the same way the advertising methods have been reorganized and various plans are being tried out and results noted, so that within a year or two we expect to get best results most economically and with least effort. These efforts at reorganization have demonstrated their efficiency in the most practical way, that is, by an increase of business unprecedented in previous years.

4.—In our last year's report we gave expression to the hope that our work would receive the encouragement of New-Church authors by the submission of manuscripts. It is an added pleasure to be able to report that in addition to the nine books actually published, an unusual record for a New-Church publishing house, we have had submitted 13 further original manuscripts and translations. Of these it

was found that 5 were unavailable, for various reasons. Among the other 8 there is one republication, and three possible translations, two from the German and one from the French. These are all under careful advisement on the part of our reading committee, which committee has met the onerous obligations of its office with care, discretion and remarkable promptness, considering the mass of work to be done.

At the close of an active year, we find ourselves very much occupied with the new Book of Worship, and we shall be greatly disappointed if the tentative edition is not ready for the Convention.

We beg to remind all who are interested in the work of the Board that we earnestly seek suggestions, especially as to new publications.

#### STATEMENT OF BOOKS PRINTED AND BOUND.

##### *Printed.*

2000 Religion and Life .....	Smyth
1000 What Constitutes Spiritual Living .....	Goddard
500 Nature and Spirit .....	Roeder
1050 Do the Dead Come Back? .....	Smyth
250 The Child's True Christian Religion .....	Hitchcock
250 Certificates of Marriage.	
250 Certificates of Baptism.	

##### *Bound.*

125 Doctrinal Series No. 4, Cloth.	
25 Doctrinal Series No. 4, Extra Gilt.	
1500 Religion and Life.	
500 What Constitutes Spiritual Living.	
500 Nature and Spirit.	
161 Guide to the Holy City.	
250 The Child's True Christian Religion.	
25 Economy Animal Kingdom, Volume 1.	
25 Economy of the Animal Kingdom, Volume 2.	
23 Book of Worship.	
28 Mann's Five Sermons on Marriage, White Cloth.	
28 Mann's Five Sermons on Marriage, Brown Cloth.	
100 Hosannas.	
100 New Hosannas.	

## NEW MAGNIFICAT ACCOUNT TO DATE.

Distributed by—	Number.	Exchanged for Old Magnificats.	Sold.	On hand on this date.
Western New-Church Union.....	950	852	75	23
Massachusetts New-Church Union	1691	1420	259	12
American New-Church Tract and Publication Society .....	495	186	244	65
New-Church Board of Publica- tion .....	1012	649	259	104
Totals .....	4148	3107	837	204

## MEMORANDUM OF OLD MAGNIFICATS GIVEN AWAY.

Rev. G. L. Allbutt for Balto Society .....	10 copies
Riverhead, Long Island, Society .....	25 "
Second German Society of Brooklyn .....	60 "
Georgetown, British Guinea, Society .....	50 "
Preston and Williston, Md., Society .....	150 "
Jacksonville, Fla., Society .....	50 "
Baltimore New-Church Mission .....	40 "
Preston, Md., Society .....	20 "
Baltimore German Society .....	16 "
Seattle, Wash., Society .....	16 "
Rev. F. L. Higgins, Fairhope, Ala. ....	25 "
Savannah, Ga., Society .....	50 "
Sent out by Western New-Church Union to Various So- cieties .....	369 "
Given by Western New-Church Union to Mrs. L. Brack- ett Bishop for Mission Uses .....	409 "
Sent out by Massachusetts New-Church Union:	
Rev. H. C. Hay, Bridgeton, Me.....	25 "
Rev. J. E. Werren, Centre Lovell, Me.....	50 "
Waltham Society .....	75 "
Portland Society.....	75 "
Lynn Neighborhood House .....	50 "
New Bedford, Mass., Society.....	100 "
Fryeburg, Me., Society .....	100 "
San Antonio, Tex., Society .....	100 "
First German Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	100 "
	675
Total .....	1975 copies

For the Board,

EDWARD P. CALL, President.

**REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE NEW-CHURCH BOARD OF PUBLICATION.**

*Statement of Income—for the year ended March 31, 1912.*

Sales of books and publications during the year..	\$2,472.22
Sales of new issue of "Magnificat".....	648.16
Special subscriptions to cost of new issue of "Magnificat" .....	800.00
Income from beneficial interest in Ropes' legacy..	2,401.65
Income from beneficial interest in Giles Richards' legacy .....	30.00
Interest on mortgages owned.....	1,840.00
Interest on bank balances.....	155.88
Miscellaneous .....	1.21
Total income .....	\$8,349.12

Deductions:

Cost of books and publications sold (not including "Magnificat") .....	\$1,620.30
NEW-CHURCH MESSENGER—interest on trust funds (of which \$845.00 is paid).....	975.00
New Magnificat—Plates, printing and paper, etc.:	
Plates, printing, etc.....	\$2,486.90
Paper .....	546.83
Editorial .....	310.00
	3,343.73
Manuscripts purchased .....	425.00
American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society—for services and rent.....	1,200.00
General and advertising expenses.....	1,253.59
	\$8,817.62
Less—Inventory value of 1,382 copies of "Magnificat" not distributed and included in inventory .....	1,036.50
Net income accumulated for the year.....	7,781.12
Income accumulated—Balance at April 1, 1911....	\$568.00
	9,649.32
Income accumulated—Per balance sheet.....	\$10,217.32

*Balance Sheet—March 31, 1912.***ASSETS.****Investments:****Mortgages:**

Adolph M. Fischl—5½%	\$13,000.00
Caroline L. Burnap—5%	10,000.00
Alexander D. Duff—5¼%	5,000.00
Thomas P. Ryan—5%	5,000.00
Sarah Sibbald—5%	2,000.00
	<u>\$35,000.00</u>

**Securities held by General Convention—For interest of New-Church Board of Publication:**

Boston and Albany Railroad Co.—One-third of 655 shares valued for this statement at \$200.00 per share.....	\$43,666.67
State of New York Canal Bond.....	<u>1,000.00</u>
	<u>44,666.67</u>

**Cash:**

Astor Trust Company.....	\$1,710.22
Title Guarantee and Trust Company.....	3,041.00
On hand—office cash .....	<u>6.84</u>
	<u>4,758.06</u>

**Merchandise—Inventory:**

Books and publications .....	\$3,754.20
Magnificat (1,382 copies) .....	<u>1,036.50</u>
	<u>4,790.70</u>
Furniture, fixtures and library.....	354.20
Stereotyped and engraved plates (cost \$4,046.49).....	<u>1.00</u>

**Magnificat Plates:**

Cost of plates, printing, etc.....	\$7,260.50
Less—Charged off in 1911.....	\$3,915.77
Less—Charged off in 1912.....	<u>3,343.73</u>
	<u>7,259.50</u>

Accounts receivable .....	1.00
Suspense .....	<u>451.76</u>
	<u>662.68</u>
Total .....	<u>\$90,586.07</u>
Deduct—Accounts payable .....	<u>432.38</u>
Net assets .....	<u><u>\$90,253.69</u></u>

## TRUSTS, REQUESTS AND INCOME ACCUMULATIONS.

## Trusts:

## In favor of NEW-CHURCH MESSENGER:

Principal—Invested .....	\$18,200.00
Principal and Income—Uninvested.....	369.70
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	\$18,569.70

## Bequests:

Lydia H. H. McDonald .....	\$7,300.00
Sarah Bennett .....	5,000.00
Captain White .....	1,900.00
General Fund .....	2,600.00
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	16,800.00

## Beneficial interest in funds held by General Convention:

Mary P. and Eliza O. Ropes' legacy.....	\$43,666.67
Giles Richards' legacy.....	1,000.00
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Income accumulated—Balance March 31, 1912....	44,666.67
	10,217.32
Total .....	<hr/>
	\$90,253.69

JOHN F. SEEKAMP, *Treasurer.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NEW-CHURCH BUILDING FUND.**

The Trustees report that no changes have taken place in the investments heretofore reported. Inasmuch as the San Diego Society is erecting an addition in the shape of a new Sunday-school room, thereby increasing the value of the security, the Trustees waived the annual payment of \$100.00 on account of principal. The Preston Society is in arrears on account of interest, but have promised to make that good very soon. They have been under additional expense in consequence of the new arrangement by which the missionary, Rev. J. E. Smith, gives more time to the eastern shore of Maryland. The little Fishing Creek Society has likewise been unable to meet its interest for some time.

The following is the statement rendered by the Treasurer:—

Balance reported last year.....	\$255.94
Interest from the Paterson, N. J., Society.....	44.00
Interest on deposit in Washington Loan and Trust Co..	5.06
Interest from San Diego, Cal., Society.....	<u>52.00</u>
Balance in bank.....	\$357.00

**THE PRESENT INVESTMENTS CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:—**

San Diego Society (balance of mortgage) .....	\$1,300.00
Preston Society .....	1,200.00
Fishing Creek Society .....	175.00
Portland Society .....	1,000.00
Paterson Society .....	<u>2,200.00</u>
	5,875.00
Total amount of assets .....	<u>\$6,232.00</u>

The terms of Hon. Job Barnard and Mr. R. A. Shaw, two of the Trustees, expire this year; the Convention is asked to fill the vacancies by electing two Trustees to serve for three years.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. McGEORGE, Jr., *President.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE OF THE RICE LEGACY.

BENJ. PETTEE, TRUSTEE, in account with the RICE LEGACY.

## Dr.

April 29, 1912—Cash in bank .....	\$569.24
1911-12—Dividends on Pullman Palace Car Co. stock .....	144.00
Dividends on Penn. R. R. stock.....	43.50
Dividends on Waltham Watch Co. Pf. stock .....	96.00
Dividends on Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co. stock..	64.00
Dividends on Atch., Topeka & S. F. R. R. stock .....	110.00
Interest on Southern Pacific R. R. Bonds..	160.00
Interest on Con. Title Ins. Co. Mort. Receipt.	45.00
Interest on deposits .....	4.70
Conveyancers Title Ins. Co. Mort. Receipt, due and paid.....	1,000.00
	<u>\$2,236.44</u>

## Cr.

1911-12—Paid for work at Theological School Library by Mr. Wethey.....	\$11.00
Paid for work and expenses at Theological School Library by Rev. J. Whitehead...	335.00
Paid for books and labels for Theological School Library .....	45.97
Paid for furniture for Theological School Library .....	44.25
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Total for Library .....	\$436.22
Paid for N. C. Reviews placed in libraries....	\$75.00
Paid for N. C. Reviews for sundry individuals	40.00
Paid for N. C. Reviews for Putnams.....	6.00
Total for N. C. Reviews.....	121.00
Paid for Messengers for Putnams.....	6.00
Paid City of Boston taxes.....	49.20
Paid for two shares Penn. R. R. stock (above value of rights).....	109.73
Paid for two shares Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co. stock (above value of rights).....	204.00
Paid for transfer of Atchison stock.....	.44
Paid for rent of box in safety deposit vault	10.00
Paid for stamps.....	.13
Paid for Conveyancers Title Insurance Co. Mort. Receipt .....	1,000.00
Paid accrued interest on mort. receipt.....	8.12
Balance in bank.....	291.60
	<u></u>
	<u>\$2,236.44</u>

## PROPERTY OF RICE LEGACY.

22 shares Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R. R. Stock, Pfd.  
16 shares preferred and 23 shares common stock, Waltham  
Watch Co.

18 shares Pullman Palace Car Stock.  
15 shares Pennsylvania R. R. Co. stock.  
12 shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co. stock.  
6 shares Rutland R. R. Co. stock.  
\$4,000 Southern Pacific R. R. convertible 4 per cent bonds.  
\$1,000 mortgage receipt of Conveyancers Title Insurance Co.

E. & O. E., Boston, April 1, 1912.

BENJ. PETTER, *Trustee.*

Examined and found correct.

JAMES REED,  
H. CLINTON HAY.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL CHURCH.**

The National Church, as usual, has done its part in performing the missionary use intended when it was built, and during the winter of 1911-1912 has had a course of fourteen lectures on the general subjects of "The Christian Religion and the Man of To-day." These lectures have been well attended, and have excited much interest, and have been arranged without tax to the Washington Society or to the Trustees, the Pastor, Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., having arranged with the lecturers, while the expenses were borne out of a fund under the charge of the President of the Board. All the speakers named in the following list delivered their lectures in person and the whole program as arranged by Dr. Sewall was successfully carried out, except that the lecturer who was to have spoken on February 18th was taken ill, and his place was supplied by the pastor. The lectures of Rev. J. K. Smyth were repetitions of discourses delivered in New York and in both New York and Washington were heard by very large and interested audiences.

Hon. Job Barnard, the Secretary of the Board, has submitted the following report of action by the Trustees during the year, including the building operations:

"Since the last report, the Board of Trustees of the National Church at Washington was authorized by the Convention to proceed with the building of the Sunday-school room, according to the original plans presented by the architect, Prof. H. Langford Warren, or such modifications thereof as the said architect and the said Board might approve. (Minute 14, Journal 1911.)

"After the said action was taken by the Convention, the Board of Trustees met in Chicago and nominated William Burnham, of Philadelphia, Pa., and Ralph P. Barnard, of Chevy Chase, Md., to fill the vacancies in the Board, caused by the death of Warren Goddard and Francis J. Worcester, which nominations the President and Secretaries of the Convention approved.

"They thereupon appointed a building committee, consisting of Messrs. Eugene E. Stevens and Ralph P. Barnard, of Chevy Chase, Md.; Robert A. Shaw, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and John Joy Edson, Richard K. Campbell and Job Barnard, of Washington, D. C. This building committee later organized by electing John Joy Edson Chairman, and Ralph P. Barnard, Secretary, and proceeded to determine the plans for the erection of the building, in connection with the architect.

"At the suggestion of one of the committee, other tentative plans were prepared by another architect, and after considerable delay and differences of opinion among the members of the building committee, the majority of the committee selected the plans

prepared by Mr. Warren, and the same were approved by a two-thirds majority of the whole Board, as required by the action of the Board at its meeting in Chicago; and thereupon bids were asked for and received, and after still further delay, the lowest bid, made by the firm of Lipscomb & Davis, of Washington, D. C., was accepted, at \$24,447.52. This did not include certain fixtures and furnishings, and a careful estimate of those, and of the cost of the architect's fees, was made, which brought the total cost of the building to about \$27,000.

"The requisite majority of the full Board agreed to accept this bid, and the contract was let for the same, and the building is now in process of erection.

"The Washington Society will contribute \$10,000 toward the cost of this building, and the Treasurer had on hand some \$2,500, and this will leave in the neighborhood of \$14,500 to be provided for, and which the Convention authorized the Trustees to borrow, if necessary.

"The lectures in the National Church during the past winter have been of unusual interest, and most of them attended by fair congregations."

The delay in providing working plans upon which estimates could be obtained was so great, and the subsequent weather was so very severe, that it was simply impossible to have the building finished in time for the early session of the Convention, a circumstance which the Trustees profoundly regret, as also that the building will cost considerably more than was expected. This delay, and the added cost, caused some of the Trustees to hesitate about contracting until the matter could be referred to the Convention again; but the action of the Convention at its last annual session was so positive, and the needs of the Washington Society were so imperative, and their claims upon the Convention for the completion of the buildings were so just, that as stated by the Secretary, the Trustees agreed to accept the above bid and proceed at once with the erection of the building.

The Board of Trustees have to report a vacancy occasioned by the removal to the spiritual world of their honored and beloved associate, C. A. E. Spamer, Esq., of Baltimore, Md. He was one of the Trustees who had the welfare of the National Church very close to his heart, was most punctual in attending the meetings of the Board, was always interested and ready with advice and such help as he could give, and his loving sympathy and counsel will be sadly missed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. McGEORGE, JR., *President.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PENSION FUND.**

The Trustees, in making their report for the year ending May 1, 1912, feel sure that it will be gratifying to the Church to know that they have not only been able to continue aid to pensioners still needing assistance, but they were enabled to relieve a case of very sharp distress, and to tide over successfully one of our active ministers, who, without this prompt assistance, would not have been able to provide for his family, by reason of conditions that could not have been avoided. Perhaps it is not generally known that the Trustees are not only directed to assist aged and infirm ministers, and the widows and minor children of those who have died, but also to assist needy ministers. Therefore, when a case of dire need was brought to their notice, they were able immediately to afford temporary relief. In connection with this case there was a little circumstance that speaks very eloquently as to the way New-Churchmen regard such matters. Before the last payment in this case had been made in regular course by our treasurer, the need had passed and the last check was promptly and gratefully returned.

The same number of societies have contributed this year, twenty-four in all, some of them small and struggling, whereas, some of our large societies have not seen their way clear as yet to aid in this important use. While the contributions from the societies fell off quite considerably, the private contributions have been larger, and the fund was further helped by Mrs. Reiche turning over to the Board \$700 of the proceeds of a policy of insurance on the life of her late husband, which had been kept alive for some years by the Board, so that as a matter of fact the current pensions have not only been paid, but the deficit of last year wiped out, and something added to the permanent fund.

The total amount of pensions paid during the year ending May 1, 1912, are, or will be, \$1,206.30. The total collections from societies \$505.58, and from private contributions \$150. The other details are shown in the subjoined treasurer's report. The Trustees have pursued the same course as last year. Only the gross amount of pensions paid is given, the names of the beneficiaries not being advertised, as the auditors will examine the vouchers and certify to the correctness of the account. The names of the contributors are given, as the only feasible way of vouching that side of the account.

The income and expense account shows an overdraft of \$153.10, but it is hoped that this will be wiped out next year, leaving the principal of \$19,049.07 intact.

*Receipts.*

1911		
May	1	Balance .....
	12	Brockton Friend .....
	24	First N. J. Church, Philadelphia .....
	31	Dr. Anna C. Grigsby .....
June	21	Proceeds G. Reiche Life Insurance .....
July	24	Lucy A. Buckingham .....
	31	John C. Peny .....
Aug.	25	Jefferson, Wis., Society .....
Oct.	25	Portland, Ore., Society .....
Nov.	14	Dr. Anna C. Grigsby .....
Dec.	1	Olney, Ill., Society .....
	1	Jefferson, Wis., Society .....
	2	Pittsburgh Society .....
	2	Baltimore N. W. Mission .....
	2	Humboldt Park Parish (Chicago) .....
	7	Union City, Tenn., N. C. Society .....
	7	Henry, Ill., Society .....
	13	Springfield, Ill., Society .....
	13	Englewood Church N. J. ....
	16	Manchester, N. H., German N. C. Society .....
	16	Toledo Society .....
	26	Annie C. Bassett .....
1912		
Jan.	5	A Friend through Rev. J. W. MacPherson .....
	5	Frankford Society .....
	17	A Friend, North Leominster .....
	17	Mrs. C. C. Ryder .....
	17	A Friend .....
	17	George Copeland .....
	17	Toronto Society .....
	29	A Friend .....
	29	Kenwood Parish, Chicago .....
Feb.	5	Washington Society .....
	10	German N. C. Baltimore .....
	15	Portland, Me., Society .....
	15	Newtonville, Mass., N. C. Society .....
	28	Cambridge Society .....
Mar.	7	Brockton, Mass., N. C. Society .....
April		Boston N. C. Society .....
		Baltimore First Society .....
		Philadelphia First Society .....
		Thomas Baxindine .....
		\$19,501.18
		DR.
		By trans. to cover overdraft on expense account,
		May 1, 1911..... 452.11
		<u>\$19,049.07</u>

**INVESTMENTS.**

J. A. Scroggins, Mortgage.....	\$5,000.00
John E. Roller, Mortgage.....	12,000.00
W. A. Willett, Mortgage.....	1,500.00
	\$18,500.00
Uninvested balance May 1, 1912.....	\$549.07
	\$19,049.07

**INCOME.**

Interest on J. S. Scroggins Mortgage.....	\$300.00
Interest on John E. Roller Mortgage.....	720.00
Interest on W. A. Willett Mortgage.....	82.50
	\$1,102.50
Trans. from Permanent Fund to cover overdraft, May 1, 1911 .....	452.11
	\$1,554.61

**Expenditures.**

Overdraft on this account at beginning of year.....	\$452.11
Accrued interest on W. A. Willett mortgage.....	44.50
Amount paid to beneficiaries during the year.....	1,206.30
Mimeographing and mailing letters.....	4.80
	1,707.71
Overdraft for this year .....	\$153.10

The terms of Rev. S. S. Seward and Percy Werner, Esq., expire at this time, and the Convention is asked to fill the vacancies by electing two trustees to serve for five years.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. McGEORGE, JR.,

*President.*

Wm. L. WORCESTER,

*Secretary.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ORPHAN FUND.**

The trustees met in Chicago on June 14, 1911, Messrs. Reed, Smyth, Saul, McGeorge, and Barnard being present.

It was voted to ratify the action of the Executive Committee in the payment of \$200 during the preceding year to Rev. J. B. Spiers of Richmond, Va., for the orphanage under his care.

Rev. James Reed was re-elected chairman, Job Barnard Secretary and Rev. Julian K. Smyth and Wm. McGeorge, Jr., elective members of the Executive Committee.

During the year last past \$200 were paid to Rev. J. B. Spiers for support of orphanage work at Richmond, Va. The treasurer reports that the fund now on hand, May 1, 1912, is \$5,627.33.

The terms of Rev. James Reed and Wm. McGeorge, Jr., as members of this board, expire at this time and their successors should be elected.

JAMES REED, *Chairman.*

JOB BARNARD, *Secretary.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SWEDENBORG MEMORIAL FUND.**

This is a fund inaugurated in the year 1884 (See Journal, Min. 103) "for the ultimate purpose of building in the City of Stockholm, in Sweden, a church which may stand as a memorial to the establishment of the Lord's New Church through Emanuel Swedenborg."

The following is the Treasurer's statement of the present status of the fund:

May 1, 1911—Balance .....	\$8,210.97
Northern Texas Traction Co. Cou-	
pons .....	\$100.00
United Electric Securities Coupons	50.00
Penn. & Mahoning Valley Ry. Cou-	
pons .....	150.00
4½% on balance, May 1, 1911,	
\$2,090.97 .....	94.05
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	394.05
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	\$8,605.02

**List of Investments.**

\$3,000 Pa. & Mahoning Valley Ry. Bonds.....	\$3,090.00
\$2,000 Northern Texas Traction Bonds.....	2,000.00
\$1,000 Electric Securities Bonds .....	1,030.00
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May 1, 1912, Uninvested Balance .....	\$6,120.00
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	2,485.02
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	\$8,605.02

The funds and property held for this purpose by the New-Church Society of Stockholm, Sweden, amount to nearly \$24,000, according to the report recently sent us by the president of the Society, Commodore Nils Sundstrom. "These funds," he writes, "are mostly invested in the two houses that are on the ground, one of these in very good condition, but the other, though yielding some \$1,050.00 in rents, so very old and dilapidated that it would be money thrown away to try to repair it. The Board of Works informs us that something must be done. Some of the ground it stands on must be disposed of, for the church building and the remainder must be used for a new house if we would get any profit out of the ground it is built on. \* \* \*"

It thus appears that the property is held by the Stockholm Society—and probably very wisely—for the double purpose

of erecting a church and also deriving an income from rentals to be devoted to the maintenance of the church services and other uses of the organization.

It is to the building fund strictly that our contributions will be devoted. In regard to this, Commodore Sundstrom sends his hearty approval of our suggestion that the Stockholm friends procure a sketch of the proposed building accepted by the municipal authorities and place it, with an estimate of cost, before the Convention.

A strip of land held by the municipality between our property and the street and park upon which the building is to face and which will have to be bought of the city, will be sold to us at a reduced price, Commodore Sundstrom thinks, if the building we propose to build will be an ornament to the city.

Complicated as the situation would seem to be just at present, it is, after all, one of those which a sufficient sum of money would easily solve, namely, in winning the favor of the city authorities, who are looking very scrupulously to the adornment of their beautiful city; secondly, in leaving as large a part of the present property of the Stockholm Society as possible in a shape productive of income for the permanent support of the society and its publishing house; and, thirdly, in showing in the tasteful and dignified building itself the regard due to Emanuel Swedenborg, not only by foreigners, but in his native city, and not to him alone as the distinguished scholar, engineer and philosopher, but as the chosen instrument and apostle of the Lord's Second Coming and of the establishment of a new religious dispensation for mankind.

This is a worthy and feasible object, and the trustees of the fund feel fully warranted in asking of the friends of the New Church everywhere to give it their favorable consideration and their liberal support.

FRANK SEWALL, *Chairman.*

## REPORT OF THE ROTCH TRUSTEES.

1911-1912.

May 1, 1911—Cash on hand.....	\$1,614.58
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*Receipts.*

Johnson & Feneno, principal.....	\$4,000.00
Johnson & Feneno, interest.....	84.33
Sale of books.....	103.11
Higgins & Scarr, interest on mortgage.....	200.00
Moses Clarke, interest on mortgage.....	100.00
William B. Libby, principal.....	733.65
William B. Libby, interest.....	23.23
Daly & Wanzer Co., interest on mortgage.....	50.00
Tierney mortgage, principal.....	50.00
Tierney mortgage, interest.....	35.00
C. R. Lindstrom, mortgage, interest.....	25.00
Ellison mortgage, interest.....	18.00
Interest bank balances.....	66.90
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	5,489.22
Total .....	<u>\$7,103.80</u>

*Payments.*

C. R. Lindstrom mortgage.....	\$1,000.00
Ellison's mortgage.....	600.00
Accrued interest Ellison loan.....	4.50
Larson mortgage .....	1,000.00
Accrued interest Larson loan.....	2.50
Tierney mortgage .....	1,400.00
Accrued interest Tierney mortgage.....	17.50
Paul Sperry, services Book for the Blind...	175.00
H. O. Houghton & Company.....	7.35
Perkins Institution, publishing "Book for the Blind" .....	166.93
Subscription to fund for phototyping Swe- denborg's works .....	243.15
Boston Storage Warehouse Company.....	12.15
Insurance .....	78.58
Express .....	3.50
William B. Libby, bill.....	36.68
Massachusetts New-Church Union.....	33.56
Miscellaneous .....	3.27
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Cash on hand.....	\$4,784.67
	2,319.13
Total .....	<u>\$7,103.80</u>

*Property on Hand.*

Cash .....	\$2,319.13
Mortgage Higgins & Scarr.....	4,000.00
Amount carried forward.....	<u>\$6,319.13</u>

<i>Amount brought forward .....</i>	\$6,319.13
Mortgage Moses Clarke, Jr.....	2,000.00
Mortgage Daly & Wanzer Company.....	2,000.00
Mortgage C. R. Lindstrom.....	1,000.00
Mortgage Ellison .....	600.00
Mortgage Andrew Larson .....	1,000.00
Mortgage John J. Tierney.....	1,350.00
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Book plates and books on hand, cost.....	\$14,269.13 55,345.35
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<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$69,614.48</b>
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The Book for the Blind has been completed in two volumes printed in braille. This is for free distribution and all persons interested are urged to make free use of it. The postal regulations are such that if the book is given away, the recipient will have to pay postage, but it may be loaned without any payment being required for postage. The postage on both volumes amounts to about 45 cents and anyone desiring either to keep the volumes or to take them out as a loan can be accommodated by writing to the Perkins Institution for the Blind, South Boston, Massachusetts.

An effort is being made to place the remaining copies of the 1907 Rotch Edition of Swedenborg where they may be of some use and they may be had upon the installment plan. Anyone desiring particulars may address the Massachusetts New-Church Union, 16 Arlington Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. Albert H. Stroh, writing from Stockholm under date of March 12, 1912, says: "As for 'Worship and Love of God' I am having certain very much corrected pages of the last pages of part one and in part two typewritten preparatory to winding up this volume which has lingered too long and must be finished now."

HORACE PARKER CHANDLER,

JAMES EVERETT YOUNG,

GEORGE COPP WARREN,

*Trustees.*

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION.**

The Committee on Transportation to the General Convention to be held in Washington, D. C., reports as follows:

It has been arranged with the New England roads, The Trunk Line Association (which includes the middle states north of Washington, east of and including Buffalo, Erie, Pittsburgh and Wheeling), and the Eastern Canadian Passenger Association (which includes Canadian territory east of Port Arthur, Saulte St. Marie, and St. Clair and Detroit Rivers), for the transportation of ministers and delegates and their families to and from the Convention at the following reduced rates, viz:

Full fare going and three-fifths of the regular fare returning, subject to the following conditions:

Each person should purchase a first-class ticket to Washington at the full regular fare, and the ticket agent will on request issue to such person "a certificate for a reduced return fare" properly filled out and signed by such ticket agent.

These certificates must be procured at the point where the person buys going ticket in order that the reduced rate may be secured for return passage. Attention is called to the fact that certificates are not kept at all stations. If, however, the ticket agent at a local station is not supplied with certificates and through tickets to the place of meeting, he can inform the delegate of the nearest station where these can be obtained. (To obtain this reduction at least one hundred tickets must be purchased accompanied with certificates, and it is hoped that everyone will avail themselves of the certificate plan in order that the requisite number may be secured. Even where a delegate does not expect to make use of the reduced fare on the return trip, he should secure a certificate to help make up the requisite number). These certificates must be signed by the Secretary, Mr. Paul H. Seymour, to whom they should be handed immediately on arrival at Washington, and in no case later than Saturday evening, May 11th.

An agent of the railroads, whose visé of certificates is necessary to validate them, will be in attendance at the Convention, Saturday, May 11th, from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. and from 7 p. m. to 10 p. m. Special attention is called to the

fact that the agent will be in attendance only on Saturday, and it is, therefore, imperative that certificates to be validated should be in the hands of the Secretary of the Convention not later than Saturday evening. A fee of twenty-five cents must be paid to the agent of the railroads by each certificate holder, and this fee should be handed to the Secretary of the Convention with the certificate.

Going tickets will be issued between May 6th and May 10th inclusive, except that from stations from which it is possible to reach Washington by noon of May 11th, tickets will also be issued for morning trains of that date. Returning, tickets must be secured not later than May 18th as certificates will not be good after that date. These certificates are *not transferable*, and the return ticket will be limited to a continuous passage to destination.

This reduction applies to persons who have paid seventy-five cents or upwards for their going ticket.

It is advisable to procure tickets at least one-half hour before starting time of train in order to give the ticket agent time to fill out the certificate properly.

It is understood that parties attending the Minister's Conference in Baltimore can secure first-class tickets to Washington upon which a stop-over at Baltimore will be permitted.

A strict compliance with the foregoing directions will greatly aid the Secretary of the Convention and the Transportation Committee in the performance of their work.

EZRA HYDE ALDEN,

PAUL C. HAMLIN,

*Committee on Transportation.*

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION OF  
SWEDENBORG'S MANUSCRIPTS.**

Through some misunderstanding, the report of this Committee did not appear in the Convention Journal of last year.

By the agreement entered into at the time of the Swedenborg Congress, the business side of this undertaking was left exclusively in the hands of the Committee of the London Swedenborg Society, from which your committee has received no communication since the last meeting of this body. But Mr. Alfred Stroh, who has charge of the phototyping in Sweden, has reported monthly to your committee on the progress of the work. From his last report dated March 15th, it appears that the final pages of the *Index Biblicus*, a work begun by the Swedenborg Society several years ago, are in press; also that the final pages of the *Adversaria* are in press; also that the funds for the present financial year are nearly exhausted.

It appears that but little has yet been done on the reproduction of the Arcana; but from this time on that most important undertaking will be pushed forward rapidly.

Your committee urgently recommends the appropriation of the second \$1,000 for the continuance of this work.

JOHN C. AGER, *Chairman.*

**REPORT OF WORK ON SWEDENBORGIANA IN SWEDEN.**

The present annual report is in continuation of the previous one dated London, May 11, 1911, and printed in the last *Report of the Swedenborg Society*, London, 1911. Everyone interested in the history of the work in Sweden will find all the previous reports published in *The New Philosophy* during the past ten years, but last year's report is contained only in the *Report of the Swedenborg Society*. Since inquiries have been made during the past year concerning the documentary history of the work in Sweden, I may here mention for the information of all the Societies and officials interested in this matter that the only consecutive and complete printed account of proceedings in Sweden since 1902 is contained in the sources re-

ferred to above. Beginning with last July monthly reports have been sent to all the societies concerned in the work in Sweden, and the order of treatment adopted in the monthly reports will also be followed below.

#### THE PHOTOTYPING OF SWEDENBORG'S THEOLOGICAL WORKS.

For information concerning the general conditions under which the phototyping has proceeded since the meeting of representatives in London, July 11, 1910, see my last annual report. During the past year the first and second volumes of the *Adversaria* have been completed. The phototyping of the third and concluding volume is in progress. Some progress has also been made with the volume of *Miscellanea Theologica*, with Part II of *Swedenborgiana*, and with Vol. I of *Arcana Coelestia*. In addition to the manuscripts previously phototyped in the three folio volumes of the *Index Biblicus*, another special biblical index of names, places, etc., Codex 39, has been included in Vol. III.

The maximum appropriations by the united societies for the past two years, at the rate of £800 *per annum*, are now nearly exhausted, and the printing is even slightly in advance of the appropriations, an indication that still more rapid progress may be made. With present arrangements about one-third more of the output is possible.

The Swedenborg Society has lately authorized the rebinding of certain of Swedenborg's MSS. which were left unbound over forty years ago when the photolithographing was finished. After these MSS. shall have been rebound the Librarian of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Dr. J. A. Borgstedt, will permit the taking apart of other MSS., including the *Arcana Coelestia*, the phototyping of which has been authorized by the Swedenborg Society and commenced.

In recent communications to *Morning Light*, the *New-Church Messenger* and *New-Church Life* detailed information has been furnished concerning the methods and processes employed in the phototyping work, and in the same connection the proposal of the Rev. J. K. Smyth, President of the General Convention, that the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck be employed upon a new edition of the *Arcana* has been heartily endorsed. There is no other single proposal to print Swedenborg's texts now before the Church involving so much progress with respect to the theological texts, except, indeed, the phototyping itself, and it is to be hoped that Mr. Schreck, one of the ablest

editors the New Church has produced, will be employed in this field, either in Sweden, as Mr. Smyth has suggested, or elsewhere, since the phototyped edition of the *Arcana* is in hand. This project is also of great significance in connection with the proposed *Opera Omnia*, of which below.

#### THE PRINTING OF SWEDENBORG'S SCIENTIFIC WORKS.

For the general scope and plan of the new edition of Swedenborg's scientific texts, *Opera Quaedam de Rebus Naturalibus*, of which three volumes have appeared at Stockholm, see my last annual report. During the year progress has been made with Vols. IV to VI, and also with the various translations in hand for the Swedenborg Scientific Association, Rotch Trustees and Swedenborg Society. These translations are now so nearly completed that most of them will probably appear this year. They have been subjected to repeated revision by myself and others, and plans have been made to continue the work of translation by cooperating with Professor O. M. Ramström in preparing for press Vols. III and IV of *The Brain*. The Swedenborg Society has granted Professor Ramström and the undersigned the use of the materials left behind by Dr. R. L. Tafel and the Rev. James Hyde. The work will probably go forward rapidly when the Latin texts of *The Brain* will be prepared for press. The texts in question have been copied by the late Rev. P. B. Cabell and by Miss Greta Ekelöf. The MSS. copied by Mr. Cabell many years ago have been loaned by Urbana University to the Swedenborg Committee of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences through the good offices of the Rev. Frank Sewall, President of the Swedenborg Scientific Association. In this connection I may also mention that all of the MSS. of Swedenborg formerly copied for the Swedenborg Scientific Association, as reported in the *New Philosophy*, have been forwarded to the Secretary of the Association, the Rev. Reginald W. Brown. It will not be necessary to repeat the list here, but all students of Swedenborg's texts will be interested to hear that these copies, together with a similar series of copies made for the Swedenborg Committee of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, constitute by far the largest collection of copies by hand of Swedenborg's MSS. ever made. Next to the series of photolithographed and phototyped volumes these copies are the most important series of reproductions of Swedenborg's manuscripts in existence. It is to be hoped,

however, that all of these copies will gradually be printed either in Sweden or America in the *Opera Quaedam* or *Opera Omnia*.

Recent proposals to stereotype all texts of the *Opera Quaedam*, and to print all other texts to be issued in similar size so as to prepare for a complete edition of Swedenborg's texts, *Opera Omnia Emanuelis Swedenborgii*, have been received partly with great interest and sympathy, partly with criticisms. It is very desirable that all New-Church printing societies, editors, and interested persons, make it a point to communicate with the undersigned in reply to the memorial on this subject recently submitted to the printing societies and to several of our periodicals. By a division of labor and expense the plans may be realized. At any rate so great an opportunity should not be passed by unless no way of uniting sufficient resources in the execution of the work can be found. Since the publication of about three-fourths of all that Swedenborg produced is actually in hand or proposed the plan to secure a complete edition of the texts by stereotyping the various works as they appear would seem to be not only worthy of adoption, for the sake of securing a complete edition, but would also in the long run save large sums of money.

#### THE INVESTIGATION OF SWEDENBORGIANA AND NEW ITEMS.

The "Report on miscellaneous Swedenborgiana discovered since 1877" was laid before the Swedenborg Society last year and has been considerably amplified by subsequent researches and discoveries in Swedish archives. A condensed list of the new items discovered since the *Documents concerning Swedenborg* appeared, London, 1875-77, will be submitted in several of the New-Church periodicals for purposes of correction and amplification. The Chronological List of Documents will then be edited together with the Chronological List of Works in the *Appendix* to Vol. I of *Opera Quaedam*. Among the new materials discovered during the past year are several memorials by Swedenborg in the State Archives and additional documents concerning the Gothenburg Controversy in the Consistory Archives at Gothenburg. Some preliminary work has been done by Miss Cyriel Lj. Odhner is copying the new materials. Miss Odhner has also completed the copying of the minutes and other papers of the *Societas pro Fide et Charitate*, the discovery of which was reported in the last annual report.

The results of the great Swedenborg Revival in Sweden continue to show themselves in many ways, some ephemeral, others of a solid character. One of the most encouraging signs is a great increase in the sale of Swedenborg's works. The proposal to erect a bronze statue of Swedenborg in heroic size on Hornsgatan has been received here and abroad with considerable interest, but the monument which the Revival of interest in Swedenborg's works and achievements has during recent years erected to his memory is more lasting than brass: *Monumentum aere perennius.*

Praying that the work of the united New Church in the reproduction of Swedenborg's manuscripts and in connected operations may go forward in the future with the same success as in the past, I remain,

Your obedient servant,

ALFRED H. STROH.

Library of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences,

Stockholm, April 25, 1912.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE IUNGERICH  
PUBLICATION FUND.**

By reason of the early meeting of the Convention this year the Trustees can only report operations for eleven and one-half months, i. e., from May 1st, 1911, to April 15th, 1912. Last year they reported a joint arrangement entered into with the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society of New York and the American New-Church Tract and Publication Society, by which the J. B. Lippincott Company should issue a joint circular making an offer of all the Gift Books. There was some delay in this matter because of the falling through of another arrangement of this kind entered into after the last session of the Convention by which a Western Swedenborg Company agreed to attend to the advertising and circularizing of the Gift Books. The sudden death of a wealthy supporter of this enterprise before he had made arrangements for the endowment of this institution put an end to that arrangement and considerable time was devoted to the perfecting of a general circular which is sent out by the J. B. Lippincott Company, and the stimulating effects of this are now very marked.

The Trustees have reported the circulation of large numbers of "A Great Thinker" in connection with the Rotch Trustees, and that certainly stimulated a demand for the books, but the effect was wearing off. Taking the True Christian Religion as an example, the Trustees reported a distribution of 573 copies for thirteen months ending May 1st, 1911, as against 289 the preceding eleven months. For the months of May, June, July, August, and September the distribution was 75, 73, 51, 66, and 79 respectively. Then the demand fell off very suddenly, and for the months of October, November, December, 1911, and January, 1912, the numbers distributed were 16, 13, 12, and 20 respectively, a little improvement being seen in January. Then the effects of this general circularization became very apparent, and the number distributed in February, March, and the first half of April were 61, 184, and 75 respectively. A corresponding increase was shown with all the Gift Books, the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society distributing the following numbers of the first volume of the Arcana, in February, March, and the first half of April, 28, 150, and 63 respectively.

The Trustees have no report of the distribution of the German edition of True Christian Religion, and have concluded that they are not authorized under the Deed of Trust to continue the distribution in Europe.

During the past eleven and one-half months there have been distributed by the Trustees:

	Copies
True Christian Religion.....	725
Apocalypse Revealed .....	673

During the same time the American New-Church Tract and Publication Society has distributed:

	Copies
Heaven and Hell.....	744
The Life of Swedenborg.....	681
Divine Love and Wisdom.....	595
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	2,020

The figures of the full number of volumes distributed to date cannot be accurately given, as a part of the record was destroyed, but are approximately as follows:

By the Iungerich Trustees:

	Copies
True Christian Religion.....	41,317
Apocalypse Revealed .....	33,178
German True Christian Religion.....	1,790

By the American New-Church Tract and Publication Society:

Heaven and Hell.....	38,548
Life .....	21,597
Divine Love and Wisdom.....	1,784
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	138,214

#### *Financial and Cash Statements.*

On May 9, 1911, the Trustees reported the amount of invested funds, including real estate, as being..... \$49,432.50  
Cash balance in bank..... 736.02

Total ..... \$50,168.52

In lieu of the above the Trustees now report the following:

#### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

	Cost	Par Value
Reading Railroad four per cent bonds.....	\$3,530.00	\$4,000.00
Lehigh Valley Consolidated Mortgage six per cent bond .....	1,240.00	1,000.00
Westinghouse Electric five per cent bonds.....	2,100.00	2,000.00
<i>Amounts carried forward.....</i>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$6,870.00	\$7,000.00

<i>Amounts brought forward.....</i>	\$6,870.00	\$7,000.00
Pennsylvania Railroad Consolidated mortgage four per cent bonds.....	5,062.50	5,000.00
Lehigh Valley Consolidated Mortgage four and one-half per cent bonds.....	5,250.00	5,000.00
Bond and mortgage—Barrett .....	3,500.00	3,500.00
Bond and mortgage—Market Street .....	6,250.00	6,250.00
Bond and mortgage—Marshall Street .....	2,500.00	2,500.00
Bond and mortgage—Cynwyd, Pa. ....	6,000.00	6,000.00
Bond and mortgage—Thompson street .....	4,000.00	4,000.00

**REAL ESTATE.**

Weber property .....	1,000.00	900.00
Rudolph property .....	2,500.00	2,000.00
Landroches property .....	6,500.00	5,000.00
Cash in bank.....	1,229.03	1,229.03

**\$50,661.53 \$48,379.03**

*Details of Cash Receipts and Expenditures, May 9, 1911, to April 28, 1912.***Dr.**

1911.

May 9. To balance .....	\$736.02
May 9. To interest allowed by Trust Co.....	82.50
June 1. To six months' interest on L. V. annuity bond, due June 1 .....	30.00
June 1. To six months' interest on L. V. consolidated mort- gage bonds, due June 1.....	112.50
Aug. 31. To rent, Landroches, April 1 to August 1, less col- lection charges .....	74.00
Sept. 20. To six months' interest on Cynwyd mortgage, due Sept. 20 .....	150.00
Oct. 18. To six months' interest on Reading bonds, due July 1	80.00
Oct. 18. To six months' interest on Westinghouse Electric bonds, due July 1.....	50.00
Oct. 18. To six months' interest on Barrett mortgage, due Aug. 1 .....	105.00
Oct. 28. To six months' interest on Thompson Street mort- gage, due Oct. 1.....	108.00
Nov. 1. To six months' interest on Pennsylvania Railroad bonds, due Nov. 1.....	100.00
Dec. 1. To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley annuity bond, due Dec. 1.....	30.00
Dec. 1. To six months' interest on Lehigh Valley consolidated mortgage bonds, due Dec. 1.....	112.50
Dec. 12. To six months' interest on Market Street mortgage, due Oct. 11.....	156.25
Dec. 12. To six months' interest on Marshall Street mortgage, due Oct. 19.....	62.50
1912.	
Jan. 2. To six months' interest on Reading bonds, due Jan. 1 .....	80.00
Jan. 2. To six months' interest on Westinghouse Electric bonds, due Jan. 1.....	50.00

*Amount carried forward.....\$2,119.27*

	<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$2,119.27
Feb. 2.	To six months' interest on Barrett mortgage, due Feb. 1.....	105.00
Mar. 22.	To rent, Landroches, Aug. 1 to Nov. 1, less collection charges .....	55.50
Mar. 22.	To rent (increased) Landroches, Nov. 1, 1911, to March 1, 1912, less collection charges.....	81.40
Apr. 9.	To six months' interest on Cynwyd mortgage, due March 20 .....	150.00
Apr. 17.	To six months' interest on Market Street mortgage, due April 11.....	156.25
Apr. 20.	To six months' interest on Marshall Street mortgage, due April 19.....	62.50
		<u>\$2,729.92</u>

*Ck.*

1911.

May 15.	By rent of safe deposit box at Provident Life and Trust Co. to May 14, 1912.....	\$20.00
May 24.	By Landroches, 1910 taxes.....	111.12
May 24.	By Weber, 1910 taxes.....	12.48
May 24.	By Rudolph, 1910 taxes.....	10.96
June 5.	By \$2,500 fire insurance on Rotch Trustee plates to May 11, 1912.....	3.75
Aug. 31.	By Landroches, cleaning well.....	7.50
Oct. 18.	By Weber, sewer assessment.....	149.70
Oct. 24.	By one-fourth of expenses of Western Swedenborg Association representative to New York.....	19.50
Oct. 24.	By J. B. Lippincott Co., printing 1,000 copies of T. C. R. ....	680.00
Dec. 19.	By American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society for five-ninths of bill for printing 10,000 stamped envelopes for sending circulars announcing gift books.....	121.11

1912.

Mar. 5.	By American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society for five-ninths of bill for printing 10,000 return envelopes, 30,000 circulars, 30,000 order blanks, addressing, etc.....	119.16
Mar. 21.	By American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society for five-ninths of bill for printing 10,000 stamped envelopes .....	121.11
Mar. 22.	By Landroches, installing gas, bath, lavatory, etc..	124.50
Mar. 22.	By Cash balance April 23, 1912, at Fidelity Trust Co., Philadelphia .....	1,229.03
		<u>\$2,729.92</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. McGEORGE, JR.

Wm. BURNHAM.

HORACE E. SMITH.

ADOLPH AHRENS, JR.

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS OF ACCOUNT OF THE TRUSTEES  
OF THE IUNGERICH FUND.

The undersigned Committee, appointed by the General Convention to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Iungerich Publication Fund, beg to report that they have carefully vouched and examined the account of the said Trustees about to be presented to the General Convention in May, 1912, both as to items of charge and discharge, and find the same to be correct as stated, the balance shown thereby of \$1,229.03 being vouched by the bank book.

They further report that they have also inspected the securities set forth in the Financial Statement, which is a part of said account, and find the same to be intact.

W. C. RODMAN,  
EZRA HYDE ALDEN,  
*Committee.*

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.**

The Committee on Education has considered two subjects of special importance: one submitted by Dr. J. T. Prince relating to the extension of the work of the Theological School to include graduate courses; the other subject was submitted by the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck in a paper on a plan for "Religious Instruction During the High-school Period."

The Committee recommends that Mr. Schreck's paper be read to Convention as a part of the report of the Committee to Convention.

It also recommends the adoption of the following resolution (see Minute 93).

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis F. Hite, *Chairman.*

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**REPORT OF THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHER OF THE MESSENGER.**

When one is engaged in a function that he enjoys, and feels that his work is of real good to the world, and is appreciated by those to whom he ministers, there is a satisfaction felt which is a more ample reward than any other he could receive for his services. That the editor of the MESSENGER has had such a reward is amply testified by the numerous expressions received.

The publication of the MESSENGER as an organ of the Church to carry the light and life of its heavenly principles to the world, to serve as a help to the Church organization in the prosecution of its work, and a bond of union between those interested in a common cause, is, doubtless, one of the most important uses the Church has in hand, and it is believed the people of the Church generally regard it as such; and for this reason its interests and its claims should have the most careful consideration of Convention.

It has been a policy for some years past to make the regular income of the paper from subscriptions, advertising, and the income of invested funds provided for that specific purpose pay all the expenses of publication, without encroaching upon other revenues of the Convention. This policy has been followed with a good measure of success, and the publisher thinks he can continue to do so. But he has some doubt as to the wisdom of too strict an adherence to such a course.

The expense of publication have been gradually increasing for some years. One item of expense the past year, not requiring to be provided for heretofore, is \$100 for editorial and business offices. The Chicago Society has furnished these free of cost, but hereafter they will make a charge for the room we occupy. Another addition to expense is at the rate of \$52 a year for presswork and mailing; and other items of printing expense have also been increased. So that the cost of publication has become so high that in order to keep within the income the quality of the MESSENGER is in danger of deterioration. The publisher feels that to prevent this it would be wise to empower the treasurer to advance such sums as become necessary to keep the paper up to at least its present standard of efficiency.

The balance of \$532.96 reported a year ago was not sufficient to meet the expenses of the paper, with the few subscriptions coming due in the meantime, until the beginning of the new year when the bulk of the subscriptions are paid. The treasurer of Convention therefore kindly advanced enough to carry us through till funds should come in, in January, when it was paid back to him. This year we are only reporting a balance of \$292.40, which is not enough with the other resources in sight to meet the expenses to next January.

The General Council, in order to provide for a more satisfactory report of this year's Convention, has voted an extra appropriation; but in addition to this the publisher will require something to help meet current expenses till the bulk of the subscriptions come in, eight months from now.

One expense that could be reduced is involved in the sending of free subscriptions to 166 persons unable to pay for the paper themselves. In years past there has been considerable money donated for this purpose, but the amount has grown smaller, perhaps because it was felt that the paper was paying its way pretty well and did not need this kind of help. If these 166 papers were paid for at half price the revenue would be increased by about \$250. To meet this the donations for the past year only amount to \$43. I do not feel that these names should be erased from the list, because they represent some of the most appreciative readers of the MESSENGER, who derive the greatest benefit from its weekly visits. I should be sorry indeed to have to cut them off. There are people of means who, I am sure, would be glad to contribute to a fund to keep these subscriptions alive; but the Convention will doubtless provide that the publisher shall retain them on the list.

There has been some falling off in the number of legitimate subscribers during the past year or two, notwithstanding the adoption of many methods to preserve the list intact and to extend it. Some of the ministers and societies have rendered valuable aid in increasing the circulation among their people; and if still more felt the importance of this the paper would grow and perform a greater use. The number of copies sent out at the date of this report was 1,748.

The summary statement of receipts and expenses hereto attached does not show a wide variation from the statements of late years, but it should be noted that on account of the date of this year's Convention coming so near the beginning of the fiscal year (May 1st), it has not been possible to get in all the items of expense for the month of April. When these are paid the balance in hand will be reduced to a small figure.

JOHN S. SAUL.

May 1, 1912.

MESSENGER REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES.

*Receipts.*

Balance May 1, 1911.....	\$532.96
Subscriptions .....	4,010.83
Advertising .....	425.05
Income on Investments .....	1,588.85
Donations .....	43.00
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	\$6,600.69

*Expenses.*

Paper .....	\$467.33
Presswork and mailing .....	636.15
Typesetting .....	920.27
Makeup, setting Ads, etc.	430.90
Correcting and addressing mail list .....	108.60
Envelopes for mailing .....	147.41
Postage .....	85.48
Contributions .....	462.25
Reporting Convention, 1911.....	60.00
Publisher's Salary .....	2,400.00
Office Help .....	416.00
Rent of Office .....	100.00
Postage and incidentals.....	73.90
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	6,308.29

Balance on hand .....	\$292.40
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This is to certify that I have checked over the accounts of the "New-Church Messenger" for the year ending May 1, 1912, and find them correct as shown in the above statement. The balance of \$292.40 is deposited in the Merchants Loan and Trust Co.'s bank of Chicago in the name of the New-Church Messenger.

F. A. SMITH.

## REPORT OF THE LITERARY BUREAU.

The Literary Bureau has little to report at this time. In spite of apparent inactivity during the past year, its officers have in that time made two unsuccessful attempts to advance the undertaking that has been under consideration during the past two years, namely, that of securing the publication of an abridged edition of the "True Christian Religion" for free distribution among the Protestant clergy of America. Not having heard from the Jungerich Trustees in response to our communications of May 8 and 17, 1911 (in which we asked them to make some proposition for our consideration involving cooperation along this line), we decided to try to arouse the interest of the American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society in the enterprise, and therefore sent the following letter.

16 Arlington Street, Boston, Nov. 11, 1911.

Mr. Henry W. Guernsey, President, American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society.

Dear Mr. Guernsey:

I have read the Sixty-second Annual Report of your Society with much interest, and my attention has been caught by the section headed "Important New Co-operation" on page 9, which tells of the plan of spending \$900 per annum for three years in the endeavor to bring the offer of the "gift-books" to the attention of Protestant clergymen in America. I am much pleased that the various "gift-book" agencies have come together in this matter; but I wish that they might feel inclined to combine in a more expensive but incomparably more effective method of advertising these books, by giving a free sample with the offer—a plan in which many individuals of the New Church would be glad to co-operate by giving substantial contributions of money.

You may recall that, at the General Convention held in New York a year and a half ago, the Literary Bureau proposed such a distribution of a free sample of Swedenborg's writings, and suggested the use of Hyde's "Abridgment of the True Christian Religion." This plan was of interest to the Convention, and the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the report and recommendation of the Literary Bureau be accepted; that the Convention heartily approves of the proposed publication of a large abridged edition of the "True Christian Religion" for free distribution among the clergy of the United States and Canada, and that the Publication and Trust Boards and individual members of the New Church be and they are hereby earnestly requested, by financial and moral support, to make the work a

success. \* \* \* That the Jungerich Trustees be and they hereby are requested to favorably act on the offer which has been made in the report of the Literary Bureau to assist them in distribution of the "Gift Books."

The plan, as formulated and presented to the Jungerich Trustees in accordance with the above resolution, did not meet with their approval for a number of reasons, among which were (1) a certain doubt about the propriety of their getting out an abridged edition of any of the Works; (2) lack of knowledge of Hyde's abridgment, and (3) disapproval of the style of book proposed, as too cheap in appearance.

Now, it happens that your Society is already publishing for gratuitous distribution an abridged "True Christian Religion" under the name of "Brief Readings" from that book. Printed as a continuous booklet, it would make a pamphlet of but 240 pages, which could be produced in attractive form at slight expense. "The True Christian Religion" is unquestionably the best book to give to clergymen; and in such a concise and attractive abridgment, it would be sure to be read by a very large number of the recipients; and by such reading they would get some idea of the worth of Swedenborg's Writings, so that the offer of the "gift-books" would no longer be a meaningless proposition to them. Incidentally, as many of the volumes of this abridgment would inevitably drift into other hands than their original recipients, the missionary value of this distribution would be very great.

The former plan as proposed by the Literary Bureau called for a total expenditure of about \$12,000. I see no reason why, if your abridgment were used, the expense could not be kept within that amount. If your Society and the others co-operating with you could raise \$2,000 per annum for three years for this purpose, I believe that I could guarantee to you that the Literary Bureau would raise another \$2,000 per annum to put with it, thus assuring the success of the undertaking.

I shall be pleased to have you bring this matter before your Board, and to report to me as to their action, if any.

(Signed.)

B. A. WHITTEMORE,

*Secretary of the Literary Bureau's Committee on Publication and Distribution.*

The matter broached in this letter was given consideration at the December meeting of the Board of Managers of the Society, but no action was taken. It was subsequently reported to our secretary, however, that there seemed to be some doubt about continuing the publication of the "Brief Readings from the True Christian Religion" after the present edition is exhausted.

Our second effort to advance the matter was by having it brought before the meeting of the General Council of the General Convention last January. Other matters of importance, however, prevented its consideration until the last few minutes of the session, and no action was taken.

This proposition is an important one; and it seems a great pity that those bodies that might avail themselves of our offer of cooperation and carry the undertaking through successfully, are not inclined to respond. The present seems an especially opportune time for such a distribution to be made since two wealthy persons who are described as "Two Christian Laymen" are now distributing gratuitously through the Testimony Publishing Company of Chicago a series of small volumes entitled "The Fundamentals" to over 250,000 clergymen and other Christian workers throughout the English-speaking world, in the endeavor to re-establish the foundations of what they consider to be orthodox Christian theology. Already six volumes have been sent out, at an expense probably approximating \$100,000; and others are still to come. One-eighth of this amount would be enough for our enterprise.

With regard to the pamphlet entitled "A Great Thinker," conditions during the past year have not favored a new edition; but in all probability another large impression will be printed at no very distant date.

The amount in our treasury on May 1, 1912, was \$142.90.

B. A. WHITTEMORE, *Secretary.*

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#### **REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH EVIDENCE SOCIETY.**

The annual meeting of the Evidence Society was held at 8:45 Monday morning, May 13th.

The work of the Society during the past year has brought new opportunities for learning and influencing public opinion. The evidence is steadily growing that the attitude of the world is changing more and more rapidly in the direction of a disposition to consider without prejudice the doctrines which the New Church has to give.

The Society is establishing closer relations with the English Evidence Society, and the various branches of its work are going forward with encouraging results.

With the co-operation of the Literary Bureau, the work of collecting references has gone on successfully, and the response to information given to those who seemed to be in a position to profit by a more definite knowledge about the teachings of the New Church has been gratifying.

Among the interesting suggestions looking to the extension of the work of the Society, is the use of exchanges on the part of the MESSENGER and other New-Church periodicals with as many outside publications as possible; also the wide distribution of a folder containing a careful selection of testimonials from distinguished sources.

Measures will be taken to carry out these suggestions, and to develop new methods of making the work of the Society effective.

The meeting listened to interesting addresses in which many encouraging words were spoken and the Society is looking forward to a happy and active year's work between now and the next meeting of Convention.

LEWIS F. HITE, *President.*

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#### REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

The Forty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Association was held in the National Church at Washington, D. C., on Thursday evening, May 9, and Friday morning, May 10. Helpful addresses were delivered as follows:

1.—“How to Instruct the Children in the Distinctive Teachings of the Church,” introduced by Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.

2.—“How Can We Bring Into Our Sunday Schools Children Whose Parents are not Members of the New Church?” Introduced by Rev. Thomas A. King.

3.—“The ‘General Exercise’ in the Sunday School,” introduced by Rev. Geo. S. Wheeler.

The Secretary reported that the decline in enrolment of children which has continued during many years has this year received a slight check. The total enrolment this year is 3,069 as against 3,245 last year. It is to be hoped that the tide may soon be turned and that an upward trend will shortly be manifest.

The chief items of business were the appointment of a committee of three to solicit subscriptions for the support of “Sunday Afternoons” and the authorizing of a request for a per capita contribution of five cents from the schools for the maintenance of Association uses.

An interesting innovation this year was the uniting with the American New-Church League on Friday evening in a joint public meeting, at which papers were presented on the "Mutual Relation of Church, Sunday-school and League." It is quite probable that the two organizations will in future unite in similar meetings.

HAROLD S. CONANT, *Secretary.*

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#### REPORT OF THE AMERICAN NEW-CHURCH LEAGUE.

The Twenty-fifth Annual Conference of the American New-Church League was held in the Church of the Washington Society on Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11, 1912. There were present sixty-nine delegates, representing twenty-eight leagues.

The Secretary reported that the American New-Church League now numbers thirty-eight local leagues, with a membership of 1,263 active members, 129 honorary members and 90 associate members. Two new leagues, Portland, Ore., and Wilmington, Del., and thirty-nine individual associates applied for membership and were admitted.

The reports of the year's work of the American League as shown by the reports of the committees displayed an increased interest and activity in all departments. The Reading Circle Committee reported a greater number of leagues than ever before as conducting doctrinal classes. The Extension Committee has come in contact with many bodies of New-Church young people throughout the country. The Associate Membership Committee has brought the League and thereby the Church into the lives of many scattered individuals in all parts of the United States. The *League Journal* has had a most excellent year under the leadership of a most efficient editor. The question of choice of a League Badge aroused the most interest at our meetings. The matter was finally referred back to the Badge Committee for further designs and further consideration.

The co-operation so eagerly sought after during the past year has strengthened the League, and was in evidence throughout the session of Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE B. BLACKMER, *President.*

CLARA A. HOWARD, *Secretary.*

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY AND DOCUMENTS.**

The Committee on Library and Documents (see minute 90, Journal, 1911) has made arrangements with the Theological School for the deposit of the Archives of the Convention in the fire-proof library building of the School. A beginning has been made of collecting such documents and books as properly come into our keeping.

1.—We have received from Miss Spamer four volumes of the records of the Convention from 1850 to 1904 inclusive; five volumes of the Records of the Executive Committee and General Council, from 1853 to 1908, inclusive; two volumes of the Records of the Committee on Moral and Religious Instruction; Letters of withdrawal of Members of the General Church of Pennsylvania; papers relating to the bequest of Mrs. Leonora M. Van Wyck, and the Journal of the Declaration of Principles, 1859. We have also received from Mr. Spamer the statistics collected concerning the New Church for the United States Census.

Rev. John Goddard has deposited a complete copy of the records of the Allen Will Case.

Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., has presented papers and documents concerning the Bath Society, Journals of the Maryland Association and other bodies of the church, also a number of MSS. sermons and papers of early New-Church ministers, also printed matter relating to the Swedenborg Congress at London.

The Treasurer of the Convention has deposited the reports of Mr. Stroh's work in Stockholm.

Rev. H. C. Hay has deposited the minutes and documents of the Council of Ministers.

The Committee on the Translation of the Word has deposited its collections, including twenty volumes of the Tafel MSS. Hebrew-Greek Swedenborg's Writings.

The Evidence Society has deposited its collections of clippings and references.

The Boston Society has decided to deposit its records in our Archives.

II.—In the library of the Theological School there are many manuscripts and books which supplement the Archives, among which we may mention manuscripts of Rev. Messrs. T. B. Hayward, Thomas Worcester, Chauncey Giles, Manoah

Sibley, John Hargrove, D. Churchill, John Clowes, Willard H. Hinkley, E. A. Beaman and others, and a collection of letters and autographs of early ministers and members of the New Church in America and abroad, given to the School by Mrs. Wm. B. Hayden.

III.—The School has complete sets of the Journals of Convention, the English Conference, the Massachusetts Association, and many Journals of Associations, but not complete sets. Also many books and pamphlets bearing on the history of the church in England and America.

The Committee expresses the earnest desire that the church will co-operate with the Committee in collecting documents, manuscripts, Journals and Records of Associations and Societies, and books and pamphlets bearing on the history and development of the church. Now is the time to gather the materials bearing on the beginnings and the development of the New Church in this country. If we postpone this work, it will be difficult if not impossible to gather the materials which are now in existence. The value of this work may in some measure be appreciated when we see the priceless value placed on early manuscripts bearing on the early development of the Christian Church. In the future, documents bearing on the developments of the beginning of the New Church will have no less intrinsic value.

Respectfully submitted,

W.M. L. WORCESTER,

FRANK SEWALL,

JOHN WHITEHEAD,

*Committee.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY FIRST SOCIETY OF THE NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH.**

Charles J. Shoemaker, Ezra Hyde Alden and Walter C. Rodman, trustees appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Delaware County, Pennsylvania, respectfully submit the following as their first annual report to the General Convention.

The Delaware County First Society of the New Jerusalem Church was established in Upper Darby, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, at some time prior to May 31, 1830. On that day a tract of land containing 111½ perches in Upper Darby township was conveyed to Samuel Sellers and David Snyder as trustees for the society, and afterwards a church building was erected on a part of the land and another portion was set apart as a graveyard.

On October 16, 1857, Thomas Kent and wife conveyed to David Snyder and Lewis Watkin, as trustees for the Society, a messuage and lot of ground in what is now the Borough of Clifton Heights, in the same county, the lot having a frontage on the Philadelphia and Baltimore turnpike road of about ninety-two feet, and a depth, measuring from the middle of the road, of about four hundred and seventy-five feet.

On August 25, 1862, the Society was incorporated by the Court of Common Pleas of Delaware County, the charter stating that the subscribers had associated for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God in conformity with the system of heavenly doctrine as revealed in the theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, and had for that purpose formed a Society, which they acknowledged to be a member of the General Convention of the New Church of North America.

Services were held in the church and the Clifton property was occupied as a parsonage for many years; but as time went on, the members died or removed, until in 1911, the only known surviving members were Mrs. Sarah E. Burnley and Mary Lewis. The latter being too enfeebled to join, Mrs. Burnley alone petitioned the court in the early part of 1911, setting forth the above facts, and showing also that a number of years ago (in fact, about twenty) the church and graveyard had been cut off from safe access to the public road by the opening of a railroad.

Her petition further stated that her husband, George E. Burnley, was the treasurer of the Society until his death, on

April 9, 1910, and was the custodian of funds belonging to the Society to the amount of about \$7,900. She expressed the desire that the property of the Society should be awarded to the General Convention, or to local trustees acting in its behalf, or under the direction of the court, to take charge of the moneys and real estate, and use them so far as possible for the original purposes; and prayed the court to make a fitting decree.

The court thereupon appointed a master, before whom evidence was presented and testimony taken, including that of Rev. William L. Worcester, who had been especially delegated by the General Council to act for the General Convention in this matter. It was also shown that the General Church of the New Jerusalem, with headquarters at Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania Association of the New Jerusalem, had both expressed their opinion that the General Convention was the proper body to have charge of the property of the Delaware County First Society.

The master finally reported a decree which was, on July 3, 1911 (as of March Term, 1911, No. 119), made by the court in the following language:

"And now to-wit, July 3, 1911 the foregoing petition having been referred by the Court to W. Roger Fronefield, as master, and the said master having heard testimony and having filed his report recommending granting of the prayer of the petitioner, the Court upon consideration thereof, grants the prayer of the said petitioner Sarah A. Burnley, and orders and decrees as follows, viz.: That Sarah A. Burnley, the petitioner, and A. Lewis Smith, Esq., Attorney for the Delaware County First Society of the New Jerusalem Church, be and they are hereby authorized to pay out of the said funds in their hands the costs and expenses of this proceeding and to pay over the balance thereof to the hereinafter named Trustees.

That Charles J. Shoemaker, of 2029 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ezra Hyde Alden, of Lansdowne, Pa.; and Walter C. Rodman, Esq., of 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, be and they are hereby appointed Trustees of and for the Estate, moneys and property, real and personal, of the Delaware County First Society of the New Jerusalem Church, with the duty of caring for the real estate of said Church and especially of maintaining and keeping in good order the graves, grave stones, monuments, fences and curtilage of the Church and graveyard belonging to said Church in Upper Darby Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, and keeping in repair the parsonage at Clifton Heights in said County and leasing the said parsonage and paying the taxes and other proper charges thereof, including fire insurance and of investing and keeping invested and reinvested the moneys of the said Society in legal securities; with power in their discretion to demolish the Church edifice on account of its ruinous condition and inaccessibility as a place of public worship, and to erect on its site a suitable monument or tablet commemorating the said edifice and the said Society, and to pay for such monument or tablet not exceeding one thousand dollars, and for such demolition out of the principal of the said trust estate, and with power and duty also

to use so much of the income accruing from time to time from the said trust funds and property as shall not be needed for maintaining and keeping in order the graveyard and property as aforesaid for the purpose of carrying on meetings for public worship and Missionary work in Delaware County and elsewhere in Pennsylvania under the auspices and in accordance with tenets of the New Jerusalem Church and in accordance with the Charter, Constitution and By-Laws and Rules of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem Church in the United States of America and with the Charter of the Delaware County First Society of the New Jerusalem Church; the said Trustees first to enter security in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars with Delaware County sureties to be approved by the Court.

And it is further ordered and decreed that the number of Trustees shall be kept up to three, and that in the event of the death or incapacity of any one of the Trustees the others shall by petition report the fact to this Court in order that a new Trustee may be appointed by the Court in his place and stead.

And it is further ordered and decreed that it shall be the further duty of the said Trustees and of their successors to report triennially to this Court, and annually to the General Convention aforesaid as to their administration of the said trust and as to the moneys and property, both principal and income, in their hands, and their disposition, investment and expenditure thereof.

And it appearing by the said report of the master that a certain mortgage executed by Henry S. Gibson and Anna R., his wife, to George E. Burnley, Surviving Trustee of the Delaware County First Society of the New Jerusalem Church, to secure the payment of the sum of twelve hundred dollars and interest, dated the thirteenth day of July, A. D. 1899, and recorded in the office for Recording Deeds, etc., in and for Delaware County in Mortgage Book "H," No. 9, page 571, etc., has been fully paid, and that the proceeds thereof with costs of satisfaction constitute part of the aforesaid fund and estate, it is further ordered and decreed that the said Trustees enter satisfaction upon the record of said mortgage and pay out of said fund the costs and charge for entering the same."

The Trustees duly entered security and took possession of the real estate and funds. The details, including collections and expenditures made since, are set forth in their account hereto appended. There has not yet been time to take down the church building and improve the graveyard; but it is the intention of the Trustees to have the building razed, preserving its outline on the ground, and commemorating the society and the edifice by a tablet appropriately inscribed; also to provide a better fence for the enclosure, straighten up the gravestones, and put up signs which shall so far as possible prevent desecration by irresponsible visitors.

The parsonage is temporarily rented, pending the determination of the trustees as to what shall be done with the property. There has been as yet no income available for missionary purposes, but it is hoped that during the coming year some income may accrue which can so be used. In conclusion, the Trustees desire to express their appreciation of

the friendly services of A. Lewis Smith, Esq., the attorney for George E. Burnley and for his estate, who has done much work for a charge merely nominal, and without whose assistance it would have been impossible to gather in the assets of the trust.

*Trustees' Account.*

PRINCIPAL DR.

The trustees charge themselves with the Clifton Parsonage and lot, the assessed value of which is \$4,000; and the Church Edifice and Graveyard, which have no commercial value.

Also for moneys and securities received from A. Lewis Smith, Esq., attorney for the late Geo. E. Burnley and for his estate, viz.:  
 Amount in his hands as per master's report.....\$3,857.28  
 Six months' interest on Tenth Street mortgage.....47.25  
 Interest on deposits .....

16.00

\$3,920.53

Less fees and costs of W. R. Fronefield, master..... 165.75

Net received from Mr. Smith.....	\$3,754.78
Also mortgages of Michael Burnley on land in Delaware County, one of.....	1,200.00
With accrued interest on same.....	120.00
And one of .....	1,300.00
With accrued interest on same.....	130.00
Also mortgage on premises No. 1906 N. Tenth Street, Philadelphia .....	1,750.00
And 5 shares stock Philadelphia & West Chester Turnpike Co., par \$25, say.....	125.00
Accrued dividend on same.....	6.25
Accrued rent on Parsonage .....	56.78

\$8,442.81

PRINCIPAL CR.

Paid A. Lewis Smith, Esq., Counsel Fee.....	\$100.00
Paid Tax on Burnley's return as Trustee.....	20.20
Paid Surety Co. Premium on bond.....	55.00
Paid Satisfying Gibson Mortgage and recording decree .....	3.92

179.12

Balance Principal .....

\$8,263.69

The above balance is represented by:—

Mortgage Michael Burnley.....	\$1,200.00
Mortgage Michael Burnley.....	1,300.00
Mortgage No. 1906 N. Tenth Street.....	1,750.00
Five Shares Phila. & West Chester Turnpike Co., at \$25 .....	125.00
Mortgage No. 529 N. 65th St., Phila.....	1,800.00

Amount carried forward.....\$6,175.00

<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$6,175.00
Mortgage No. 531 65th St., Phila.....	1,800.00
Due from Income Account.....	88.20
Balance in Penna. Co. for Ins. on Lives and Grant- ing Annuities .....	200.49
	<u>                  </u> \$8,263.69 <u>                  </u>

## INCOME, DR.

Rent from Parsonage.....	\$51.00
Interest on Tenth St. Mortgage.....	47.25
Dividend on Turnpike Stock.....	7.50
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	28.98
Balance advanced from and due principal account.....	88.20
	<u>                  </u> \$ 222.93 <u>                  </u>

## INCOME, CR.

Roofing Parsonage .....	\$113.00
Keys, Insurance, Water Rent, Sign, etc.....	20.43
Accrued Int. on 65th St. Mortgage purchased.....	24.30
Record Books, Copies of Decree, etc.....	20.20
Work at Church and Graveyard.....	45.00
	<u>                  </u> 222.93 <u>                  </u>

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. SHOEMAKER,

EZRA HYDE ALDEN,

W. C. RODMAN,

*Trustees.*

**REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF INFORMATION.**

The death of Mr. C. A. E. Spamer in January, 1912 left the Bureau without a chairman, deprived it of one who had looked after its interests with a rare devotion and skill.

There has been handed on to the present chairman the Card cabinet containing names of persons known to be interested in the New Church throughout the country, also a duplicate set of names and addresses intended for loaning out to the various bodies of the Church according to their need.

The chief recommendation of the report of last year dealt with a Permanent Bureau of Information, the establishment of which was left by Convention to this Bureau with the request to secure the co-operation of the Evidence Society, Theological School, and the Book-Rooms in enlarging the scope and rendering more effective the work of informing the Church and the world as to the status and progress of the New Church throughout the United States.

This matter, not having been consummated, the precise form of Mr. Spamer's recommendation is here repeated, that it may get the attention which it deserves.

"It is a work well worth the expense of its establishment and maintenance along the lines suggested, in the expansion of which other and greater uses may be served, for instance a more direct and wider circulation of *Convention Journal*. It seems to the Chairman that the proper performance of the work in all its branches would require the undivided time and service of a Manager who could keep in daily touch with the several church agencies and activities and utilize, for the Bureau and its several departments, the information gathered by his survey of the several fields of church use, including the periodical revision of the lists of New Churchmen.

"A headquarters would be necessary which might be considered the Executive office of the Convention and an adequate clerical force provided to meet the growing requirements of the work. The establishment of such Permanent Bureau and Headquarters might very easily and properly include the office of Church Historian and Archives, for the organization of which a propositon was brought before the Convention several years ago.

"The requirements for the operation of a Permanent Bureau are such that it is hardly probable that volunteers for the work

could be secured for the almost continuous daily service which would be needed to keep the affairs of the Bureau in order and up-to-date, and compensation therefor would be necessary.

"The work is a useful one and can be made a valuable supplement to nearly every department of Church work and for this reason should receive the encouragement of Convention and its financial support."

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. CONANT, *Chairman.*

## Reports of Associations and Societies

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### CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Los Angeles .....	Rev. Thomas French.....	56
Riverside .....	Rev. Berry Edmiston.....	*35
San Diego .....	{ Rev. Maro F. Underwood Rev. A. Knobel, Assistant }	42
San Francisco .....	Rev. Joseph S. David .....	76
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Total .....		209

\*Not including non-resident members.

The Los Angeles Society is in a harmonious and prosperous condition under the ministration of Rev. Thomas French, who has entered upon his second year with them. Secular duties have called him away from the city during a part of the time, but it is hoped that later he will be able to devote his time more fully to the pastoral work. Twelve persons came into the society during the year. The Sunday school is small, but is steadily growing under the efficient superintendence of Mrs. H. S. Perry, assisted by excellent teachers. A doctrinal class is conducted by Mr. S. McLaughlin on Sunday mornings.

At Riverside, the venerable pastor, Mr. Edmiston, officiated at the Sunday services until, on January 23rd, he sustained a slight stroke of paralysis, which prevented his continuing the work. Since then Mr. A. W. Manning has acted as reader. The League meetings, held on Sunday evenings, are proving interesting and instructive. To the finances of the society has been added a bequest of \$400 by the late Mr. M. B. Ogden, which was increased to \$600 and invested at seven per cent per annum, for the benefit of the society.

The San Diego Society is enjoying considerable activity. Two names have been withdrawn from the roll of membership and four new names have been added. Rev. and Mrs. Abraham Knobel are among the new members.

Sunday morning services are continued regularly with an average attendance of about twenty-seven. There are about twenty-five in the Sunday school. A class for Bible study meets every Friday evening. The reading room and library are open every Tuesday and Friday, afternoon and evening. Mr. Knobel was elected assistant pastor and superintendent of Sunday school. The society has had the pleasure of a large number of visitors from the East during the year.

In San Francisco, the O'Farrell Street Society has continued to issue a monthly bulletin, announcing services, class studies and the book room, each number containing a sermonette. These are distributed widely and freely. The pastor has two classes for the study of Swedenborg. One meets in the pastor's study in San Francisco every Friday evening; the other meets at various homes in Oakland every other Thursday afternoon, and is attended mostly by ladies. A former Ladies' Aid Society, which was discontinued just before the fire, was revived during the year and meets fortnightly at the church parlors in San Francisco. There were seven baptisms during the year, two additions to the membership roll, and three losses by death. The book-room sales approximated \$100, being \$30 in excess of last year. It is open daily from 9 to 12, and is in charge of the pastor. It includes a lending library, which is doing considerable work.

Rev. Jacob Schroeder, of Larned, Kansas, spent several months in California, during which time he visited the various societies and preached a number of times in both English and German. He was well received and his efforts to do good were much appreciated. He afterwards visited various points in Oregon.

The work of Dr. N. H. Clafin, our earnest and faithful missionary and colporteur, was discontinued on September 1st at his own request. There is demand for a good missionary in California, but it may be many years before the few societies will be able to give one the support that he should have.

We are very grateful for the generous aid that the Board of Home and Foreign Missions has rendered to San Diego, Los Angeles and Dr. Clafin's work.

J. S. DAVID, *President.*

## CANADA ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS OR LEADERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Berlin .....	Rev. E. D. Daniels .....	85
Toronto .....	J. B. McLachlan .....	89
Montreal .....	.....	8
London .....	H. B. White .....	13
Hamilton .....	William Addison .....	11
Total .....		206

The Canada Association held its forty-eighth annual session with the church in Berlin from October 27th to the 30th inclusive, according to the published programme. The meetings in point of attendance, interest, and all other respects, were a success. Not the least interesting feature was the reading of the letters from those who were unable to attend, some of which contained substantial tokens of interest. It was decided to establish a little paper, which has since been done. It is called "The Evangelical New-Churchman," published monthly, and is having a good effect in bringing the isolated in touch with each other, and helping us to form a list of such members, which has been wanting for a number of years.

The Toronto Society, considering that they are without a pastor, is in a remarkably encouraging condition. Proceeds from a recent sale of land adjoining the church lot, and from other sources, have reduced the church debt to \$400, which the ladies have undertaken to raise by the first of next June. This will leave the church free of debt; though the Society is a little behind on current expenses, which should easily be taken care of. The annual meeting, held in January was a very hopeful one, and showed much enthusiasm. Since then the ladies have renovated the basement, doing the painting with their own hands. The rooms have undergone a transformation and present an attractive appearance. A faithful band of workers attend the meetings of the Ladies' Aid which renders much assistance to the finances of the Society. Every Sunday morning some one of the men reads a sermon and conducts the service. This service is usually very well attended. Christmas was observed by the Sunday School with exercises on Christmas morning. On the whole Toronto presents a most interesting and promising field of labor, if only the right man can be found for a pastor. Strangers come to the services, especially on Sunday evenings, and all that is needed is the proper ability to look after them, and after the

church. In the absence of a pastor the presiding minister visited them once a month during the first part of 1911, since which time he has visited them, and administered the sacrament of the Holy Supper, once every three months, preached to them and officiated at baptisms, marriages, funerals, etc. All the special church days, such as Swedenborg's birthday, Christmas, Easter, etc., are most enthusiastically observed, and the society in different ways does some useful missionary work.

The Hamilton Society, at the meeting of our Association, reported that it was in a somewhat disrupted state; that it had been wont for some years past to meet regularly for divine worship at the residence of the late Mrs. Brierly, who recently passed into the spiritual world. Since her demise, Miss Brierly who inherited the property, has sold it, thus causing them to discontinue their meetings and as yet no settlement had been arrived at as to a place for continuing the meetings, a difficulty it was hoped might be arranged for in the near future.

Of the little company who, till quite recently used to gather together for worship, three are now residents of California, two more reside in England, so that the members are decreasing rather than increasing. Since the above report was made the presiding minister has been unable to visit Hamilton, but there have been two accessions from the Berlin Society, which may be a help.

The report of the Secretary of the Berlin Society contained the following:

"The regular Sunday services continued without interruption throughout the year, with the exception that during the months of July and August the evening services were omitted, as has been the custom in this Society for a number of years. Good attendance has marked these services and not infrequently visitors have occupied pews. The doctrinal teaching has been clearly presented and its application to the life shown by illuminative illustrations. The Ladies' Aid and the Daughters of the New Jerusalem have carried forward their uses with energy, resulting in enlarged usefulness to the Society, not only in a social but also in a material way, by aiding in beautifying our Church Home. The Young People's League is to be commended upon its continued activity. The experience of our League is probably unique in maintaining its interest in the special work of the young people so continuously; and if the disposing cause of this happy result were sought it probably would be found in the fundamental law of accommodation and adaptability which is recognized

in planning and carrying forward the work of the League. The Young People have met regularly once a week, with the exception of the months of July and August, and the average attendance has been unusually good. The attendance of the Sunday School has been remarkably good and the membership has steadily increased. To sum up the year's work, it may be said that never in its history has the Society seemed to be in so promising a condition. This is shown in the satisfactory condition of its financial affairs and the general harmony and unity of purpose displayed by the members in carrying on its various activities."

The reading circle at London has met regularly on the first and third Tuesday evenings of each month for the study of the book on "Heaven and Hell." The presiding minister made seven visits to London during the last Association year, and has made five since, preaching there each time. At the last meeting nineteen persons were present. Our few members in London are earnestly at work in the uses of the church.

Means have been taken to get information of the Montreal Society, but that information is not yet forthcoming.

On the whole the affairs of the church are steadily improving in Canada, there have been new accessions to our membership, with good promise of more, and there is no cause for discouragement but the opposite.

E. D. DANIELS, *Presiding Minister.*

## ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Chicago—		
Kenwood .....	Rev. Percy Billings, Pastor....	115
Englewood .....		119
North Side .....		65
Humboldt Park .	Rev. Louis Rich, Pastor.....	114
At large .....		50
		463
St. Louis, Mo.....	Rev. C. A. Nussbaum, Pastor.....	112
La Porte, Ind. ....	Rev. Warren Goddard, Pastor.....	33
Henry, Ill. ....	Mr. Chester Bidwell, Leader .....	20
Springfield, Ill. ....	Mr. Frank H. Bode, Leader .....	21
Olinay, Ill. ....	Mr. William Bower, Leader .....	21
Peoria, Ill. ....	Mrs. A. E. Bassett, Secretary.....	8
Jefferson, Wis. ....	Mr. George Copeland, Leader.....	9
Wilmington, Ill. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Vis. Min.	12
Canton, Ill. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Vis. Min.	15
Joliet, Ill. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Vis. Min.	11
Wellsville, Mo. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Vis. Min.	45
Pittsfield, Ill. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Vis. Min.	20
Union City, Tenn. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Vis. Min.	28
Osage Co., Kans. ....	Rev. L. G. Landenberger, Vis. Min.	23
Isolated members .....		75
Total .....		916

The above statistics are not known to be correct. As the Association did not hold any meeting last fall, the usual reports of membership in the various societies were not all made for the year, and the reports of the previous year are therefore chiefly used as the basis of this report.

Several changes in the ministry are to be reported this year. In Chicago, the Rev. Percy Billings has been called to the pastorate of the Kenwood Parish, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. John W. Stockwell; the Rev. Louis Rich has accepted the pastorate of the Humboldt Park Parish, Rev. Francisco having resigned; the Rev. E. J. E. Schreck has resigned the pastorate of the Englewood Parish, and devotes his attention now to the North Side Parish. In La Porte, Ind., the Rev. Frank A. Gustafson was forced to resign last year on account of ill health, and the Rev. Warren Goddard has been called to fill his place. Other societies continue in much the same condition as a year ago.

The Rev. L. G. Landenberger continues his regular visits to a circuit of small societies and groups, and also devotes

much attention to the circulation of literature by sale, loan and free distribution. In this field of his use, indeed, he has made a phenomenal success. He has been for several years studying how best to reach the public ear and has spent much money in advertising. The result is that his orders for books have been constantly increasing, and the literature of the Church is being scattered and read from one end of the country to the other.

Although the usual fall meeting of the Association was omitted last year, the Executive Committee and the Council of Ministers met in October, and at the same time the President of the Convention made a visit to Chicago and delivered a forceful and inspiring message before a large meeting of New-Church people, chiefly members of the Chicago Society. This visit of Mr. Smyth was very helpful to the Church and it was felt that the Convention is wise in providing that its President shall occasionally visit different sections of the Church.

The Rev. Axel Lundeberg, though working among the Scandinavians in Minnesota, still retains his membership in the Council of Ministers of the Illinois Association and sends a communication to each of its bi-monthly meetings. His work has been quite fully reported in the *Messenger*.

The Rev. A. Simons continues his work among the Afro-Americans in Chicago, and frequently speaks to other congregations than his own society.

JOHN S. SAUL, *Presiding Minister.*

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#### KANSAS ASSOCIATION.

The Kansas Association reports a continuance of its usual activities during the past year.

At Pretty Prairie Sunday morning meetings for study of the doctrines and the holding of the Sunday school are held regularly, and on the first Sunday of the month the President of the Association preaches morning and evening to congregations of from 40 to 60.

At Pawnee Rock Rev. Benjamin P. Unruh continues to preach to the German society, and Sunday school is maintained. During a part of the winter Pastor Unruh, with his wife and daughter, was in southern California, as was also Rev. Jacob

Schroeder, with his wife and daughter. Mr. Schroeder's missionary efforts are elsewhere reported.

The Kansas Association held its annual session at Pretty Prairie last November, and Rev. L. G. Landenberger of Illinois was present during the two days' session, which had the usual attendance, but was more enjoyable than ever. At this time two adults were received into membership, one being baptized.

The monthly paper, "Church of the New Jerusalem," continues to be published by the Association, much of the matter contained in it going also into the secular paper published by the editor, the Association's president.

Systematic missionary work has not been carried on, but this matter has received some attention.

The President has preached, on invitation, once in each of three churches at Peabody—the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Lutheran—and has conducted two funerals at Peabody, of persons not connected with the New Church. The funerals afforded opportunity for presenting our teaching about the life of the soul, here and hereafter. In his weekly paper, the President is also afforded missionary opportunities in which controversy has been successfully avoided.

We send greetings to the Convention in Washington, and rejoice in the great work of the Church, in which we have at least an isolated participation this year.

GEO. E. MORGAN, *President.*

#### MAINE ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Bath .....	.....	32
Fryeburg .....	Rev. Baman N. Stone, Pastor....	59
Portland .....	Rev. Herbert C. Small, Minister..	43
Total .....	.....	134

In the Bath Society, reporting through its pastor, the religious services have been conducted as usual since August last, with special evening services during Lent. The Parish has made contribution to the Board of Missions and to the City Hospital; also has bought new Magnificats. There has been a very well sustained interest in church matters. The Rev. Mr. Smyth, President of the General Convention, and Rev.

Mr. Sperry, a former pastor, preached once each during the two months' summer vacation. Later the people enjoyed a visit from the President of the Association, Rev. Mr. Stone, and have also had the pleasure of hearing once the Rev. Mr. Hite.

The year has been uneventful with the Fryeburg Society, and there is little of special interest to be said. The ever pressing question of the religious situation is how to make good the places of those that year by year are passing away, in view of loss of many of the young people, going elsewhere to school and to enter business, and in view also of the great difficulty in making any impression upon the prevailing indifference to spiritual life and public worship in the community and region round about.

In Portland, the Society, though without a minister, invited the Maine Association to hold its annual session last August in the new Parish House, and the people are to be congratulated on their careful and efficient arrangements and their very hospitable reception of the Association. On the 8th of October, the Rev. Herbert C. Small began his work with the Society as their permanent minister. He writes that, as apparently his first duty, he has been cultivating the acquaintance of all making any sort of claim to interest in the church; also that, "in addition to the regular services of worship and Sunday School, neighborhood socials have been held, two courses of evening lectures given, a class in Correspondences taught in town, literature loaned and distributed through the mails; that books have been put on sale at book stands and a small attempt made to advertise the *Divine Providence* in the local papers. I have in a measure kept in touch with the Men and Religion Forward Movement, but now have abandoned that as a waste of time. I made an exhibit of New-Church books before them, and conducted one of their shop meetings. Several articles, such as reports of sermons and lectures, have been written for the local papers and have appeared therein. I have given special attention to building up the Sunday School, and the results, while not large, are encouraging. No new members have been yet received, but two or three will be received at Easter."

The missionary work in the state at large, especially the Kennebec Valley where much labor has been expended in years past, apparently has been largely a failure, winning scarcely any receivers and interesting very few even of the religious class of the community. It was therefore voted at the last meeting of the Association that the appropriations for missionary work be expended in Portland and vicinity in co-

operation with the Portland Society. Accordingly, Rev. Mr. Small, who is also to act as the State missionary, is planning soon to extend his work from this city into the surrounding country, probably making Freeport his first place of approach. But he will not wholly abandon other parts of the state, and may soon visit Bangor in hope of gathering a nucleus of a Society, to succeed the once flourishing Society in that important city.

Respectfully submitted,

BAMAN N. STONE, *President.*

### MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Baltimore (English).....	Rev. Harold S. Conant .....	93
Baltimore (German) Rev. G. Lawrence Allbutt, Vis. Min.	.....	48
Easton, Md. ....	Rev. Wm. M. MacIntosh.....	8
Preston, Md. ....	Rev. John E. Smith, Missionary	36
Richmond, Va. ....	Rev. J. B. Spiers.....	40
Washington, D. C. ....	Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D. ....	132
Wilmington, Del. ....	Rev. George Henry Dole.....	58
Individual members .....		3
Total .....		418

At the Annual Meeting of the Maryland Association held at Preston, Md., October 20-22, the Society reports showed an increase in total membership as compared with last year of 7.

The Association has published a Summary of its Proceedings at the Annual Meetings during the ten years, 1901-1910, together with a Directory of Names of those who are members of the Association, through membership in societies or by election, and the names of others, non-connected believers and readers, within the limits of the Association. A summary of this Directory and of the Reports of the Sunday Schools would indicate a total New-Church connection in Delaware, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia, and West Virginia, of 755; namely, in *Society Members*, 418; *Sunday School*, baptized children, 202; isolated members, unconnected believers and readers, 135; total, 755.

The subscribers to the *Messenger* in the Association number as follows: In Wilmington, Del., 9; in Washington, D. C., 21; in Baltimore, 16; in Maryland, Eastern Shore, 4; in Virginia and West Virginia, 21; libraries, 2; total in Association, 76.

The roll of ministers remains the same as last year. Mr. Louis Alexander Dole of Alleban, N. Y., was authorized as a candidate for one year in September last.

The Mission work on the Eastern Shore has been considerably enlarged by the employment of the Rev. John E. Smith for half his time, in his visits to Preston and Williston and other places in that vicinity. The Literary and Lecture Bureau of the Maryland Board of Missions reports a slow but steady sale of the work on "Heaven and Hell" in the city of Frederick, Md., accompanied by friendly notices in the press; a well attended lecture by the Rev. Mr. Dole in Easton, Md.

The National Church Lecture Course in Washington has been maintained steadily at the night services in Washington, from December 3rd, until Easter Sunday, inclusive; the following, beside the pastor, being the lecturers: the Rev. Messrs. Dole, Hoeck, Smyth, Harvey, Conant, and Allbutt. The general theme has been "The Christian Religion and the Man of Today." The total attendance at the lectures numbers, to March 24 inclusive, 715. A considerable number of strangers have attended and a large number of tracts have been taken away.

The usual activities of all the Societies have been regularly sustained. In the continued vacancy in the pastorate of the German Society in Baltimore, the Rev. George Lawrence Allbutt has been acceptably serving in services in English in alternate Sundays and in administering the Sacraments at the regular seasons.

The Baltimore Northwest Mission organized and controlled by the Rev. Mr. Allbutt, reports an increasing call for books and distribution of New-Church literature. The lectures and sermons of Mr. Allbutt delivered at the Mission are frequently reported at length in one of the city's daily papers of large circulation and occasional correspondence and debates on current religious questions have given Mr. Allbutt an opportunity for very valuable service in thus extending a knowledge of the New Church to a very large circle of readers.

The Association reports the passing into the spiritual world in January, of the beloved member, Christian Augustus Emanuel Spamer, for a long period of years the efficient and faithful Secretary, both of the Maryland Association and of the General Convention. The absence of his amiable personality, and his useful and helpful counsel will be deeply felt throughout our whole organization, and his loyal and faithful service to the Church will be held in grateful and affectionate remembrance.

FRANK SEWALL, *General Pastor.*

H. S. CONANT, *Secretary.*

## MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	PASTORS, MINISTERS OR LEADERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Abington .....		40
Boston .....	{ Rev. James Reed, Pastor Rev. II. C. Hay, Associate Pastor }	497
Bridgewater .....	*Rev. George S. Wheeler, Pastor.....	141
Brockton .....	Rev. Paul Sperry, Pastor.....	171
Brookline .....		49
Cambridge .....	Rev. William L. Worcester, Minister.	79
Contoocook, N. H. ....		16
East Bridgewater .	Rev. Clarence Lathbury, Pastor.....	50
Fall River .....		31
Lancaster .....		17
Manchester, N. H. .	Christoph Rogler, Leader.....	51
Mansfield .....		28
Newtonville .....	{ Rev. John Goddard, Pastor Rev. E. M. L. Gould, Assistant }	121
Providence, R. I. ....	*Rev. Eliz.ram Vrooman, Pastor.....	133
Roxbury .....		147
Salem .....		8
Springfield .....	Rev. C. Edgar Ritter, Minister.....	17
Waltham .....	Rev. C. G. Hubbell, Minister.....	47
Yarmouth .....	Rev. D. Vinton Bowen, Minister.....	16
Total .....		1,659

The decrease in membership is largely due to a revision of the lists of members in two societies. The additions to membership in several societies have been unusually encouraging, Boston reporting nine, Brockton, nine, Mansfield, six, Newtonville, four. Manchester reports fourteen confirmed.

The number of ministers who are not in charge of societies, but residing within the confines of the Massachusetts Association remains about the same, Rev. Messrs. S. S. Seward, Charles Hardon, Stephen Jepson, H. W. Wright, Gardner I. Ward and James Taylor not being in regular ministerial work. Mr. Ward has however conducted several services during the year, as have some of the others. Rev. Messrs. J. E. Warren and L. F. Hite in addition to their work in the Theological School, have supplied the pulpit in several places. Abington until recently was served by Rev. Paul Sperry of Brockton. Brookline has engaged the ministrations of Rev. Messrs. Goddard and Gould of Newtonville. Fall River, Mansfield and Roxbury have had various ministers. It has been a year of co-operative effort to keep up the services in the face of changes which have taken place, Rev. Warren

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\* Mr. Vrooman resigned from Providence and Mr. Wheeler was chosen to fill the vacancy.—John Daboll, Sec.

Goddard and Rev. Clyde W. Broomell having gone to other fields and no one as yet been found to take their places. Roxbury hopes to have the services of Rev. William F. Wunsch next year. Rev. John Whitehead as lecturer for the Missionary Board has been active in nine cities of the state. The death of Mr. Benj. Worcester on May 23, 1911 removed from the Association one of the links with the early history of the church. "His first service as leader in Waltham was in 1851, eighteen years before the society was organized and this service continued for sixty years. The vacancy left by him has not been—and never can be—filled in the same sense that he filled it. No one can ever be, as he was, regarded as the father of the parish."

The Missionary Board has broadened its activities during the year. "The work in the different places is developing a wider knowledge and interest in Swedenborg and his writings." The Association had the privilege of hearing addresses from Rev. J. K. Smyth, President of Convention, and Rev. S. S. Seward Ex-President of Convention, at its meeting last fall. Mr. Smyth has given lectures before three societies of the Association thus bringing to them the spirit of the General Body.

The Massachusetts New-Church Union and the Boston Society have arrived at an agreement, whereby the Wilkins House on Bowdoin Street, adjoining the church of the Boston Society, is to be changed, so as to provide quarters for the Union on the lower floor. This is a most important move and of quite general interest to the Church at large, as it will bring the New-Church rooms into close proximity to several institutions of similar character of other churches.

The activities of the New-Church Club have continued as usual. The Lynn Neighborhood House has had a well-attended Sunday school during the year. The Waltham New-Church School has experienced a number of changes during the year following the death of its long-time principal Mr. Benj. Worcester. Mr. Geo. B. Beaman, the new principal, takes up the work with an earnest purpose to carry it on in accordance with the best tradition of the school, and to develop new lines of activity.

JAMES REED, *General Pastor.*

JOHN DABOLL, *Secretary.*

**MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.**

SOCIETIES.	PASTORS OR LEADERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Detroit .....		105
Almont .....	Dr. Wm. B. Hamilton.....	60
Grand Rapids* .....	Hon. Geo. W. Thayer.....	12
Total members .....		177

\* Not active.

In Detroit services were suspended in the absence of a regular pastor. It is hoped that the vacant pastorate will be filled and services resumed in the near future.

In Almont, the Summer School in charge of Revs. E. D. Daniels and T. A. King, was conducted as usual, with most gratifying results. The Society had made considerable preparation for the school, the church having been enlarged and renovated, and with the chancel furniture donated by the Grand Rapids Society, the church now makes a most attractive appearance.

The Grand Rapids New-Church Association contributed this year the sum of \$250 to the uses of the Association.

B. G. A. LAITNER, *Secretary.*

**NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.**

SOCIETIES.	PASTORS OR LEADERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Brooklyn .....		144
Brooklyn (German 1).Rev. Wm. Diehl, Pastor.....		30
Brooklyn (German 2).Rev. F. H. Muhlert, Pastor.....		22
Buffalo .....		43
Hoboken. ....		
New York .....	Rev. Julian K. Smyth, Pastor....	234
New York (German) .Rev. Wm. Schliffer, Pastor.....		30
Orange, N. J.....	Rev. Adolph Roeder, Pastor.....	57
Paterson, N. J.....	J. D. Blauvelt, Leader .....	24
Riverhead .....	Rev. Wm. H. Schliffer, Minister..	12
Total .....		596

The withdrawal of the Rev. Arthur Mercer as pastor of the Brooklyn Society, with all the painful circumstances attending it, has been so fully reported in the NEW-CHURCH MESSENGER (see issues for March 6th and 13th), and has been given such publicity in the secular press through Mr. Mercer himself, that this report will do no more than record the fact of the acceptance of his resignation February 24th last. The Brooklyn Society at the present time is without a minister. Its work, however, is being carried on energetically, and its Sunday services are being regularly maintained by ministers invited from week to week. The Society has suffered hard things; but its spirit of faith and loyalty is not broken, and it looks forward to taking a new step onward when it shall have placed itself under the leadership of some chosen minister.

The Buffalo Society has been unable to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. Thomas French, Jr., but it has maintained lay services, and the Association is making an effort to supply it with occasional ministerial services.

The other societies in the Association have carried on their work faithfully and without interruption. The New York Society reports a year of unusual activity and encouragement; and in order to relieve its pastor of the pressure of new work and responsibilities which have come upon him, the Society has entered into an arrangement with the Rev. J. Paul Dresser, who has been giving his entire time to successfully promoting the mission work at "Kennedy House," by which he will share his time with Mr. Smyth in caring for some of the general parish activities.

The Rev. William H. Schliffer, in addition to his ministerial duties in the New York German Society and the Society in Riverhead, has maintained his work among small groups of isolated receivers, corresponding with them and encouraging them to interest themselves in distributing New-Church literature which is provided. This is to be followed up by establishing small lending libraries at various points.

The Rev. Charles H. Mann, who has been living in New York City during the past year, has delivered a number of lectures in Brooklyn.

The Rev. Albert Björck has been actively employed in missionary work in Seattle and is still ministering there.

The Association is obliged to report the passing away on January 18th of the Rev. H. F. von K. Crownfield in his seventy-ninth year. This good brother has not been in the active work of the ministry for some years on account of ill health; but he remained stanch in his love for the church, and

his resumption of a life of active service in a higher sphere must have brought him great joy of mind and heart.

At its annual meeting in Brooklyn, February 22nd, the Association authorized the appointment of a committee to prepare and secure the publication of a book setting forth the New-Church doctrine of True Marriage Love, the volume to consist of passages selected from Swedenborg's works in which this great theme is set forth.

**JULIAN K. SMYTH, Presiding Minister.**

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### OHIO ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Cincinnati .....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.....	291
Lakewood .....	Rev. Thomas A. King.....	116
Cleveland .....	Rev. John R. Hunter.....	88
Urbana .....	Rev. Russell Eaton .....	43
Glendale .....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck .....	17
Indianapolis .....	Rev. Everett K. Bray.....	28
Toledo .....	Rev. Chas. S. Mack.....	26
Columbus .....	Rev. Russell Eaton .....	12
Louisville .....		12
Dayton .....	Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.....	11
Individual members .....		78
Total .....		722

During the past year the Rev. Herbert C. Small has removed to Portland, Maine. His work in Indianapolis is now being carried on by his successor, Rev. Everett K. Bray, whose health has been restored by his sojourn in the south, and who is now glad to be at his chosen occupation again. Rev. Abraham Knobel has removed to California and withdrawn from this Association. Two other families in Louisville, Ky., left that city about the same time as Mr. Knobel, and thus reduced the circle there to such small proportions that regular services have been suspended for the present.

The Society in Lakewood continues to add largely to its membership, introducing new material into the Church, gathering in the remnant. Doubtless many of our Societies have one or two who are annually drawn into the fold through change of religious convictions. But probably few Societies, if any, have gained so many from outside in recent years as Lakewood. Through our various Missionary Boards we endeavor mainly to reach the remnant in outlying districts. Are

we, however, doing all that might be done in our cities where we have established Societies? The other Societies in our Association are active in promoting the uses of the Church.

Our Association learns with pleasure that the Pittsburgh Society has determined to unite with us, owing to its greater proximity to our Societies than to those in the Pennsylvania Association. It comes among us with the good will of that Association and we trust that mutual benefit and strength will result from the new affiliation.

Rev. H. H. Grant occasionally helps in the work of the Church whenever required.

LOUIS G. HOECK, *General Pastor.*

#### PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.

SOCIETIES.	MINISTERS.	NO. MEMBERS.
Fishing Creek Valley .....	Rev. George Wengel .....	8
Frankford .....	Rev. John W. Stockwell .....	72
Lancaster .....	Rev. John E. Smith .....	13
Montgomery's Ferry .....	Rev. John E. Smith .....	21
Philadelphia .....	Rev. Charles W. Harvey .....	447
Vineland .....	Rev. John E. Smith .....	30
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Total .....		591

A considerable extension has been made during the year in the missionary activities of the Association. A working arrangement has been made with the Maryland Association, under which the Rev. John E. Smith, who has been the Missionary of this Association for many years, has devoted a considerable portion of his time to the circles on the Eastern shore of Maryland, particularly Preston and Williston. He has continued his ministrations to the Vineland, Montgomery's Ferry and Lancaster Societies, but his work has been supplemented by visits from the President of the Association, the Rev. John W. MacPherson, who since October 1, 1911, has been employed by the Association as an additional Missionary. Doctor MacPherson, in addition to his visits to Vineland and Lancaster, has ministered to the little circle at Allentown, and has also done some work in new places.

"The Rev. Robert S. Fischer, the efficient agent of the American New-Church Tract & Publication Society, has united with the Philadelphia Society and is taking an active part in the work of the Society and its Sunday School."

The Philadelphia Society, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Charles W. Harvey, has shown good progress. Mr. Harvey has taken up the work with marked vigor and earnestness and has won the cordial affection of his people. A Men's Club was organized in the fall and has a present membership of about fifty. Its meetings have been of much interest. A series of lectures on The Life after Death was delivered in February and March, by the Rev. Messrs. Sewall, Smyth, Worcester, and Harvey; this was thoroughly advertised and the lectures attracted many strangers.

The Frankford Society, after accepting the resignation of the Rev. John W. MacPherson, was for a season without a pastor; it later secured the services of the Rev. John W. Stockwell for Sundays, Mr. Stockwell being at the time engaged in secular work in New York. Mr. Stockwell, however, has now accepted a call to Frankford and is giving his whole time to the Society. The Society is engaging in much active work, notably in work along settlement lines with the young men and women of Frankford, using as a center for this work the James Seddon Hall, which was formerly the Society's house of worship, was subsequently a public school building, and has now come back into the hands of the Society.

At the annual meeting of the Association, which was held in Frankford on Friday, April 5th, a request was received from the Pittsburgh Society that it be transferred to the Ohio Association. This request, which it is understood expressed the unanimous wish of the members of that Society, was based upon the thought that its geographical location would make a connection with the Ohio Association more useful, and while the Pennsylvania Association regretted the severance of a relation which has extended over a period of more than twenty years, it seemed wise to grant the request and to permit the transfer with the heartiest good feeling and best wishes for the future welfare of the Society.

The Rev. Adam B. Dolly, for some years one of the missionaries of the Association, still resides at Horton, West Va., but is in feeble health.

J. W. MACPHERSON, *President.*  
EZRA HYDE ALDEN, *Secretary.*

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#### WASHINGTON STATE ASSOCIATION.

The Rev. Jacob Kimm has not been able to do any ministerial work, as he has not been able to gain his sight to read yet, since his stroke some seven years and more ago. He has been able to attend church and Sunday school and to make himself useful in many ways in church work at Pine City, Wash. Pine City has a plain New-Church temple with a fine tower and bell and several fine lots, all free of debt. The Union Sunday school, with a very large attendance, meets in our church. Rev. W. P. Harthill is superintendent and most of the classes are conducted by New-Church teachers, so that it seems that our future is very promising. We are in peace with other denominations without making any doctrinal sacrifices.

We have many New-Church receivers scattered over this state. They should be looked after and encouraged from time to time.

The Rev. Wm. P. Harthill reports as follows:

"During the past year I have preached regularly in the New-Church temple in Pine City, twice a month; and six times in the Lone Pine school house to good audiences, driving a distance of twenty-five miles from my home. I have labored periodically at this place for seventeen years.

"I filled the Congregational pulpit in Malden, Wash., three Sundays, during the summer vacation of its minister, A. D. Shaw. I have also conferred the rite of baptism upon one adult; performed one marriage ceremony; administered the Lord's Supper once to seven communicants, and conducted eight funerals.

JACOB KIMM,

*President.*

## CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION.

The Connecticut New-Church Association has held its quarterly meetings during the year with the exception of the month of October, when no suitable place for holding services could be obtained.

Dr. Samuel Worcester has preached for us, also the Rev. C. Edgar Ritter, of Springfield.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting in February:

President—Rev. Samuel Worcester.

Secretary—Mrs. C. E. Rounds.

Treasurer—Mr. G. W. Bancroft.

Executive Committee—Mrs. C. G. R. Vinal, Mrs. H. J. Blakeman, Mr. C. E. Rounds.

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## DENVER, COLO., SOCIETY.

The usual activities have been maintained in the Denver Society the past year. The Ladies' Aid Society has met monthly throughout the church year and good work has been done by sewing for the poor of the city.

The Young People's League has met weekly to study Divine Love and Wisdom. Although the text book has been so deep, we feel that the young people have gained an insight of its precious truths.

During the Summer vacation a committee met weekly to discuss and formulate plans to make the Sunday School more effective. The results accomplished by this committee were very gratifying and this season the Sunday School has been far more alive and helpful.

Our pastor, Rev. Howard C. Dunham, did missionary work in Sheridan County in July and August.

January 30th, 1912, all the members of the society took great pleasure in celebrating the seventieth birthday of the one, who for thirty-five years has humbly and nobly served the society as its President—viz., Dr. B. A. Wheeler. The cele-

bration took the form of a banquet followed by appropriate toasts. Sixty persons were present.

Two children and one adult were received into the church by baptism. Two members of the society have passed into the other life since our last report. Number of members, 30.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. WEST, *Secretary.*

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#### JACKSONVILLE, FLA. SOCIETY.

The Jacksonville Society continues still to hold its meetings in the Riverside Kindergarten except on Sunday evenings when Mr. Spiers is here. Then the services are held at the residence of Mr. Faulkner. These meetings have been better attended this winter than ever before, and at several strangers have been present.

The Society has bought twenty-four Books of Worship and now has a more elaborate service. Fifty of the Magnificats were given us by the New York Board of Publication, which has added greatly to the helpfulness of the meetings.

Mr. Spiers has spent five Sundays with the Society thus far, and expects to return in June for a last visit.

This year we have had with us Mr. Earle Smith, son of the Rev. J. E. Smith, of Philadelphia, and also Mr. Wallace Hebbard, of Brooklyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Birchwood, former members of the Society, have returned to the city, and they expect their son and his family shortly.

These, with several strangers who have attended, have increased our number considerably, and the Society seems much encouraged with the winter's work.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA E. WARRINER.

## ST. PAUL, MINN., SOCIETY.

Regular services in church and Sunday School have been held during the past year with the exception of the interval between the sickness and death of our pastor, Rev. E. C. Mitchell, who died December 8th, 1911, and the starting of services on December 17th following, these services being in charge of Mr. F. S. Hinkley, one of our members.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. FOBES, *Acting Secretary*

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## TEXAS NEW-CHURCH SOCIETY.

In compliance with the request of the Secretary of Convention and the By-Laws governing such matters, I herewith submit the report of the Secretary of this Society.

This body was organized and incorporated under the laws of Texas some time ago with a view of getting some united effort from the scattered New-Church people of this state towards church work, and keep in touch with the Convention. The Society's officers are the same as when organized, and manage to keep in touch with many of its component parts, and this Society was the only organized effort in the state in church work up to the time of the coming of our brother, Rev. Clyde W. Broomell. Since his arrival in Texas he has been the heart and head of the church and is doing a grand work, as set forth in his report to the Board of Missions, a copy of which I have seen, and as that so well covers the field I here refer to that report.

I wish to say here that all New-Church people out here who have had the pleasure to meet and hear Brother Broomell are delighted with him, and believe that if any man can build up the church in Texas that he can do so.

Brother Broomell's work at San Antonio is beginning to attract outside attention, and it is the opinion of friends of the cause that this work will bring about permanent results. The church people are delighted with his ministry and strangers to the truths of the New Church are deeply impressed

with the force of them as presented by him. He has visited Pearsall several times and at his last visit was tendered and accepted the Christian Church of that place in which he preached to fifty people. Our people are deeply grateful to the Board of Missions and the Convention in at last being able to have a permanent missionary in this state, and we hope to have a representative at Convention to personally thank that body.

MASON MANEY, *Secretary.*

## Reports of General Pastors

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### *Report of the Rev. John Faulkner Potts.*

Having now ceased to act as General Pastor of the California Association, I have no official acts to report for this year.

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### *Report of the Rev. John Goddard.*

I have nothing to report beyond attendance upon the meetings of the Committee of General Pastors.

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### *Report of the Rev. Frank Sewall.*

I have presided at the meetings during the year of the Maryland Association and of the Maryland Conference of Ministers. I have authorized to preach as a candidate Louis Alexander Dole of Alleban, N. Y., for one year from September 15th.

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### *Report of the Rev. William L. Worcester.*

I am not now Presiding Minister of an Association, and am therefore not in the active exercise of the functions of a General Pastor.

*Report of the Rev. James Reed.*

June 26, 1911, I gave to Leslie Eric Wethey an authorization to preach. This was reported by me to the Secretary of the Convention in season to have his name included in the list of ministers; but no official report of the fact has gone on record till now.

I have also renewed the authorization of Horace H. Wren.

My other duties in the capacity of General Pastor have chiefly consisted in visiting the Societies of the Massachusetts Association, and in presiding at its meetings, and at those of various committees and boards.

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*Report of the Rev. John S. Saul.*

Besides presiding at the bi-monthly meetings of the Illinois Council of Ministers and the Executive Committee of the Illinois Association, I have acted in an advisory capacity for societies and isolated people in the west. Not many special functions of a General Pastor have arisen for action.

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*Report of the Rev. S. S. Seward.*

I have performed no official acts as General Pastor since the last session of the Convention.

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*Report of the Rev. Julian K. Smyth.*

On Sunday, June 25th, 1911, I installed Ferdinand Muhlert as pastor of the Brooklyn German New-Church Society (2nd) in accordance with a recommendation of the New York Association, and concurred in by the General Convention.

I renewed the authorization to preach of T. Mower Martin of Toronto, Canada, for one year. I renewed the authorization to preach of John H. Enns of Rosenort, Manitoba, for the year ending June 30th, 1912.

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*Report of the Rev. Louis G. Hoeck.*

I have no official acts to report for last year, except that of presiding at the meeting of the Ohio Association at Lakewood.

## Reports of Ministers

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### *Report of the Rev. Chas. Louis Carrière, St. Louis, Mo.*

I am still at work, serving the "Third Church of the New Jerusalem, in St. Louis, Mo." but my work was much limited, due to sickness from which I have not yet fully recovered.

I have lead in worship and preached regularly since September, 1911. I baptized ten children and solemnized one marriage.

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### *Report of the Rev. Charles H. Mann, New York City.*

I am not as yet identified with any general body of the Church though residing within the bounds of the New York Association. I am still engaged in delivering lectures as I have opportunity on the fundamental teachings of the New Church as interpreted in the light of to-day's method of thought and life. I have been, during the last winter, giving lectures in Brooklyn on "The Gospel of Human Unity," which I have varied by giving a special course of five discourses on "The 'Amor Conjugialis' of Swedenborg." I give these lectures without charge to those who desire to hear.

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### *Report of the Rev. W. A. L. Campbell, Galveston, Texas.*

I am still propagating the doctrines of the New Church, as set forth from the Lord, in the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, His servant. Acting as a pastor, I have common access to all the Afra-American pulpits. No denominations bar their pulpits against me. I tell them of a New Church,

being formed by the Lord, the church throughout the whole spiritual universe which is taking on new life and light. That their doctrines, forms and order may be the same as before, but the love, thought and thence the acts and life are different. Hence the tendency to recognize every one, not from the doctrines of truth that are believed, but from the life of good that truths of doctrine lead man to live. So that, as it is written in the writings of the New Jerusalem, "All religion has relation to life; and the life of religion is to do good."

I report one christening since the last report.

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*Report of the Rev. O. L. Barler, Beatrice, Neb.*

The past year has been, in some respects, the most eventful of all in my long life. I have performed no public duties in my office of New-Church minister, nor have I offered my services in any case; and only one paper has appeared in print from my pen.

Notwithstanding this, my favorite studies—that of New-Church doctrines being chief—have continued unabated. These studies, together with attention to an extensive correspondence, have occupied all my time, apart from the needed recreation hours.

The passing of my dear wife—after fellowship of fifty-seven years—into the other life, and my own illness of some months, were new experiences. I go to her, she cannot return to me.

Meantime my interest in the New Church—in its teaching and life—continues to grow. These are more to me than all other possessions.

Although never forgetting for a moment that I am under "censure"—and have been for two long years—emanating from the Council of Ministers—I never have been at enmity with anyone in the General Convention, nor have I ever intentionally disturbed "the peace" of the church organization of which I am a member. On the other hand, I have ever sought for "the peace and prosperity" of the city, New Jerusalem, through adherence to safe doctrinal standards.

I was unable to attend the meeting of the Convention in Chicago last June. Of the doings of the Council of Ministers there I have heard nothing, and know nothing

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The year has been blessed to me in uses. I realize more and more that the truths of the New Jerusalem are public property descending from God out of heaven, pure, spotless, pellucid. I have no trouble in declaring these truths. The trouble will be found in attempting to put the human limitation of "denomination" upon them.

I have been receiving quite a repletion of printed matter *in re* "Conjugial Love." To my mind that wonderful book can fully interpret itself. It is a wonderful portrayal of the quintessence of Marriage Love through all its delightful and heavenly phases even to the highest, as well as of Adultery through all of its phases, even to the lowest depths of libidinous depravity. It can serve no other purpose than the mere *cacoethes scribendi* of the individual furnishing "copy" for the printer, to attempt a controversy on the subject. "Let him that is filthy, be filthy still," in its most literal sense. The Immortal Seer needs no apologist one way or another. I candidly believe that the man does not live who can add to or take away from "Deliciae Sapientiae de Amore Conjugiali et Voluptates Insaniae de Amore Scortatoria," with impunity. *Honi soit qui mal y pense.*

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*Report of the Rev. Eli W. Shields, Hot Springs, Ark.*

I feel that I have now got a permanent place in the central part of the city for holding our services. I have in the last year baptized one adult and two children, all visitors.

In regard to making any alteration or abridgment of Swedenborg's writings, it should only be done by a committee from the general Convention and the Academy, in such a manner that will be satisfactory to both and bring about a reunion into one body.

If Swedenborg's treatise on Marriage Love was from the Lord, it is divine and should be handled very carefully. If from himself, it is unworthy of our consideration.

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*Report of T. Mower Martin, Authorized Candidate.*

Shortly after the close of the last Convention meeting, I was engaged by the Board of Home and Foreign Missions to spend three months in calling on ministers of other denominations, to bring the subject of the gift books to their notice, and have reported in detail to the Board the result of my work in Vermont, New York State, Michigan, and Canada, besides writing some papers for the Editor of the MESSENGER on the importance of this use. In consequence of illness I did not quite complete my engagement having to return home to Toronto to recuperate, where I have since been helping the Toronto Society when called on to conduct services, also assisting with a Sunday afternoon mission outside the town, and conducting a weekly doctrine class at my house.

There are also some six ministers in the city here who are reading and preaching the doctrines so far as they know and understand them, that I think it useful to call on and assist, and would like to suggest to the Convention that an effort should be made to equip and sustain a competent man younger than myself in this exceedingly important work throughout the country.

## Addresses

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### ADDRESS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEW CHURCH IN GREAT BRITAIN.

DEAR BRETHREN:—

The welcome, able, and finished address from the Convention of the New Jerusalem Church in the United States, written by your esteemed President, the Rev. Samuel S. Seward, came duly to hand. It was read to a full Conference. Speaking for a moment of its contents, it is my privilege to state that its reference to "Co-operation in general Church work," to the essential principle of looking "forward and not back," to "the exchange of delegates" in our national assemblies, to "radical changes now going on in the theological world," to "the changing attitude of Science towards Religion," to "Arbitration" to the "affirmative work of the New Church," and its generous remarks relating to the "Coronation of the king and his consort," was greeted with a fervid expression of assent, approval, and sympathy, through which Conference indicated how truly it felt, that all the members of the New Church, irrespective of nationality, are united in one aim and one purpose under the inspiration of a common faith. On behalf of Conference I venture to hope that not only will the unity of purpose, aim, object, and service continue, but that every tie will be strengthened with the advance of a common cause, and that in the slow march of the passing years, the bond of sympathy, now existing, will draw us into closer relationships of brotherhood, work and use.

Passing on to notice one or two topics of general concern, we in England, stand face to face with problems of supreme importance relating to doctrine, creeds, theology, and social life, and, as far as we are able to judge, these problems are international. Unrest is not only in business, politics, society, and science, but it is everywhere, and dominates every section of the universal church. In his New Year's message to the clergy and laity of his diocese, the Archbishop of Canterbury remarked: "The cry of unrest is rife all round us, and North and South and West, in mart and hamlet and village, men are bewildered and distraught by unanswered questionings, religious and secular." This is all quite true. It is also most unfortunate that this distinguished prelate has no word of comfort to offer the "distraught," no word of encouragement or help to give them, and no explanation to offer the "bewildered," as a solution of the unanswered problems in the Church and the world to which he refers.

Associated with the unrest of the age, every section of the Church Universal is also confronted with religious chaos and the loss of faith in current creeds. Preaching in the world-famous Abbey at Westminster on November 9, 1911, the Rev. H. Mayne Young told his congregation that "the old worn-out theology of the past needed to be readjusted and restated in the shape of current coin, and that unless the Church of England freely restates and remodels her creeds,

so as to meet the requirements of the age, she will be left stranded on the shores of time while the tide of life will leave her further and further behind—a sad warning of the inevitable results of an iron-bound system of worn-out dogmas and lifeless traditions."

Mr. Froude also lends his testimony to the same great fact. His words are: "An intellectual revolution is sweeping over the world, breaking down established opinions, and dissolving foundations on which historic faiths have been built." As a rule, this unrest, religious chaos, and demand for a re-statement of creeds formulated in the dark ages, is regarded with fear, misgiving and alarm. But in the New Church, it is far otherwise, and we regard it not only with equanimity, but as the direct appointment of the Lord and Head of the Church. In each phase both of the church and the world, in its best sense, the spirit of unrest and discontent is only another word for aspiration. Men may be ignorant, and degraded, and yet they may not find it burdensome. The lower classes in Queen Elizabeth's time lived like cattle and slept in kennels, and yet they made no protest. They knew of nothing better. It is God Himself, who sends the pressure of new wants, in order to keep the world progressive, and in order to draw mankind nearer to His heavenly kingdom. Thus it is with the unrest of the age—in its best sense—in every phase and form. Now that the despotism of the King is gone, there must come an end to the despotism of the Priest, which is going. Reason is slowly taking the place of traditional authority. Men are being divinely led to trust the convictions of their own intellects, instead of dogma, and to cultivate faith in their own minds, as the only power by which they can exercise an inward control over their entire nature. To secure a forward movement, towards the extension of the New Church, the theologies of the past are being forsaken, and throughout Christendom men are turning to the Lord Jesus in the Gospels, as the only One qualified to speak with authority. Here comes our own opportunity, and here is the need of new efforts in our aim to spread a knowledge of the doctrines of the New Church.

Another serious problem confronting the universal church, including ourselves, is the growing disregard of Sunday, and the neglect of public worship. But even this question has arisen under the Divine guidance, and its final answer will be in favor of genuine religion, truth, freedom, and an enlightened faith. By the careful student this disregard of Sunday is clearly seen to be connected with the great world-movement of the Lord's second coming. Old things have passed away, and at present, the new characteristics designed by Providence have not taken their place. In all the Christianized nations of the old world, external reverence for Sunday and attendance at church were compulsory. Even in England, every clergyman in the time of Swedenborg had the right to put any member of his parish in the public stocks, who dared to stay away from church for three Sundays. Now, thank God, this priestly compulsion is gone, but unfortunately the new law that "self compulsion is the first law of freedom" has not yet taken its place. Hence the neglect of attendance at public worship and the disregard of Sunday.

In olden times, the church regulated everything. It set bounds to the scope of study, dictated terms to science, and directed philosophy. In times of disease and pestilence, the people trusted to the church's prayers and processions. Formerly when the church spoke even kings were glad to hear and obey. The church also had its hold not only upon the fears of men, but upon their love and gratitude. It was the champion of the common people against the irresponsible tyranny

of birth and power, and when the church spoke no man dared to disobey. Now, all this is changed, and though even now, it is for the better, still, while we have obtained freedom, yet for the many, it is at the expense of reverence. Vast numbers of men who enjoy religious liberty do not know what to do with it; they have not yet learned its proper use. All they do is to wander round, either openly scoffing, or quietly smiling at the church's impotence, and jauntily asserting their freedom. As a consequence, all churches are suffering from neglect.

On the other hand, the church was never so secure as it is today. A true church requires the apology of no man, and no man need feel himself half ashamed, if he happens to find himself interested in it. It sometimes happens in the progressive expansion of a town, that whole streets of houses and shopping are pulled down and removed; but when this takes place we do not look on with sorrow, in the belief that building is a lost art, and that houses and shopping are no longer needed. We know that it is the sure sign of improvement, and that the builder's art in its higher development will be exercised in the erection of new and more commodious premises. This is precisely the view of the New Church as it contemplates the downfall of an ancient superstructure. As a permanent necessity in human society, the church is no more in danger of utter destruction, than city life is in danger of decay, because its central rubbish has been carted away under the impulse of reform. So far, the old church, technically speaking, has gone, and the New Church—with its love of science as well as religion, with its broad views relating not only to Sunday, but amusements and daily occupations, with its rational interpretation of Providence in relation to permissions of evil and the appointment of good, with its power to assimilate the good, the beautiful and true in art, poetry, and general literature, and with its clear doctrines relating to God, the Bible, the nature of man, and the future life—has not yet come in its fulness to take its place. This too, is as it must be for the present. But the time is coming when the nominal Christian world will discover its mistake, and error will be substituted by the truth; the time is also coming when men will see and acknowledge that the church is not only the crown of all institutions, but that it is the one and only institution holding in itself the secret of all their dreams of a perfect family, a perfect society, a perfect industrial condition, a perfect civilization, and a perfect world. With the return of this conviction, Sunday observance and public worship will far more than regain their lost supremacy. By all classes of men the church will be reverenced as the prime necessity of human well-being, and instead of losing, it will perpetually gain by the advance of knowledge and true freedom.

Another prominent subject of concern with us is the need of doctrinal reading. Among the early receivers of New-Church doctrines, the study of Swedenborg's writings was their chief interest and delight; but now it is the exception rather than the rule. Books tell us what is known of life by other people, and they place at our disposal what others have enjoyed, felt, seen, and experienced. We cannot live properly without them. Savages have no books. They do not want to know; they have no questions to ask, no curiosity, no theories, and no philosophy, and they are, as a consequence, degraded and unprogressive. We, on the contrary, are overdone with books. Last year the books given to the world numbered over 8,000, including 1,600 novels. Everybody today is a reader; but not of the best books. These are too often neglected for works of fiction, exciting,

vapid, and worthless, while serious books remain unread. Our aim is to get back to the reading of Swedenborg. Life, to all of us, is often very perplexing, and it is he only among the great writers of the world who explains why and how it is, and who interprets for us the laws of the Divine Providence. It is he only who explains clearly and rationally the Bible, who gives us a true faith, and unfolds the meaning of Redemption and Salvation, and hence the advantage and need of reading his luminous works. To this end we need your help, and perhaps, in the near future, steps may be taken to popularize doctrinal reading by international co-operation.

Though Arbitration is an old and well-worn subject, yet it is a subject so vital to religion and the supreme good of mankind, that it may be well to continue its consideration from year to year. War, under the most favorable circumstances, and even in the interests of morality and justice, is never more than the smaller of two evils, and it never pays even the victor. Were modern nations Christians in reality as well as in name, war would be impossible; but, unhappily they are not. If wars, born of evil and emanating from hell are not to desolate nations in the future, then there is only one of two remedies, the one is "Arbitration," and the other is the love and practice of Christ's command, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." This latter, at present, is not likely to be adopted, so that "Arbitration" and that only is our one available remedy. This and this only will put an end to ruinous, cruel, and sinful wars. The words of your own President at the late Peace Banquet in December last, struck a strong responsive chord throughout this country, and I believe also in all right feeling men in every other nation when he suggested, that "Until binding treaties compelled all the Powers to submit every justiciable issue to an Arbitration Court of Justice, voluntary disarmament must be an idle dream." That suggestion expresses the whole truth in relation to the rival armaments of modern nations; and as the only means of securing "Peace on earth," we join hands with you and all Christian communities in all lands, in the endeavor to establish an International Arbitration Court of Justice.

Reciprocating every sentiment of good-will and brotherhood in your address, desiring to unite with you in translating, publishing, and circulating the Works of Swedenborg, hoping we may have the pleasure of offering a hearty welcome to members from your Convention at our Conference in June next, looking forward with you to new and extended triumphs of New-Church truth, praying that an era of unexampled progress in all the peaceful arts of the highest civilization, may bless every state in the whole American Republic and thereby set an example to the rest of the world, and that in all your deliberations, you may share and enjoy the light and love of the Divine Master and Head of the church, and with my kindest and warmest regards, I am, on behalf of the General Conference,

Yours faithfully and truly,

R. R. RODGERS.

**ADDRESS TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEW CHURCH IN GREAT  
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SALEM IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.**

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your interesting and thoughtful communication, prepared by your esteemed messenger, the Rev. Robert R. Rodgers, has been listened to with sympathy and pleasure.

We regret that the often-expressed hope of having in our midst a representative from your Conference is not to be realized during this session. But we will continue to hope that this interchange of delegates will before long become an established custom, and (following the thought of your address) that the ties which should bind us together in a common and sacred cause may be strengthened, and, that "the bond of sympathy, now existing, will draw us into closer relationships of brotherhood, work and use."

The unrest in the social, business, political, and religious world, upon which your address dwells, is shared by us in fully equal measure. The keynote of it all is the growing individual freedom from the shackles of past religious fear, accompanied by an increasing intelligence and an exaggerated valuation of material comforts, leading to a lack of veneration for old beliefs, customs, and laws. There is a tendency to an extreme democracy in place of representative government. Never before has our country witnessed such a direct face-to-face appeal by the nation's leaders to the masses of the people. Regrettable as it appears, it is the symptom of a great tendency. It is an approach to a personal influence. And that this kind of influence is world-wide is indicated by such an astonishing event as the Chinese Revolution, the effect of long-preparing individualistic forces. Is this not all in harmony with what is revealed to us respecting the state of the church and world as it will be hereafter, namely, that mankind will be in a freer state of will and of thought? Is it not precisely what we should expect as an effect of the Last Judgment? And notwithstanding the excesses and abuses which for a season must accompany this great change, surely no New Churchman, if he be true to the fundamental principles of his faith, will fail to rejoice in whatever looks to the uplift, material as well as spiritual, of our common humanity. As your address declares, the age of blind authority is past. The destruction of the old false ideas must precede the coming of the new, and it may take long for the masses of mankind, while emancipated from the bondage of the past, to individually realize that true freedom consists in the self-compelling by the individual to follow the law of the common good.

In reference to the state of the church as an organization among us, it may not be out of place to note that we have had unusual internal trials, whose outcome while not yet fully clear, must eventually be to deepen, purify, and clarify our faith in and love for the real New Church. This will surely be the case, if we keep the highest and noblest ideal before us, together with the thought of the Lord as our present Help, our Guide, and Burden-Carrier. As one of your great modern poets has told it:

"There be rocks old and new!  
There a haven in full view!  
Art thou wise? Art thou true?  
Then, in change of wind and tide,  
List no longer to the crew!  
Captain, guide!"

Apparently the most immediate and practical question before the church on this continent today is that of suitable ministers. A number of our societies are without supply, even when able to furnish for their leaders what was once considered a fair support. But the materialistic spirit of the age and the high cost of living are held to be among the causes which have operated to prevent young men from consecrating themselves to this work. It may be necessary, for a season, to call laymen into service. But in view of the financial question involved, the matter is being considered at our present session and an Augmentation Fund had been started for aid in ministerial support. The original suggestion of this to the mind of the mover (you may be interested to know) came from the fact of the establishment of such a fund in your body. Our Theological School is better fitted than ever to prepare candidates for the work, and we trust that there are even now some who will be able to hear the voice from the Lord and His angels saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" and who will be moved to answer, "Here am I; send me."

A notable event at this session of the Convention, is the completion by the Committee on the Revision of the Liturgy of a completed work, including the Book of Rites and Sacraments. This work has been accepted by the Convention, and recommended to the societies for adoption. The volume includes, among other new features, the entire book of Psalms set to music, and arranged for morning and evening use for all the days of the month. Also a Scripture calendar, providing for daily morning and evening readings for the entire year, covering a much larger part of the Word than is provided for in the Prayer Book of the Established Church, omitting, indeed, but very little. Another wholly new feature is the provision for selected daily readings from Swedenborg's writings, arranged for a single year, but capable of being divided so as to cover a two- or three-years' course. It is hoped that this may tend to encourage the practice of doctrinal and devotional reading, the lack of which your communication recognizes and deplores. And it is suggested that this may be considered as a form of that co-operation in this matter, to which your address alludes.

Your words, respecting arbitration, and in condemnation of war, are fully reciprocated. The folly, if not the wickedness of war, is more and more universally recognized by our strongest men in all walks of life. The peace movement is rapidly growing. Surely it should be the purpose, prayer, and effort of all believers in the Supreme Kingship of the Lord Jesus Christ not to stop at arbitration, that is to say, at compromise between selfish contestants, but to seek a common law of righteousness, or the heavenly law in earthly form, such as can only be determined and established by a permanent International Court of Justice.

Your address makes very plain the need of greater activity in the mission work, in view of the honest confessions by your religious leaders of the lack in the churches of a basis of intelligent Christian faith. Surely it is our duty to use every endeavor to supply this lack. To us, as much as to the apostles of old, the command comes, "Go ye into all the world, and proclaim the good news to the whole creation." But there are many ways of obeying this command. Is there not a beautiful literal significance in the Revised Version which correctly speaks of the "whole creation" instead of "every creature?" The societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals furnish a single illustration of what may be called mission work to *the whole creation*. That is to say, there is a mission work done by every individual who

proclaims the gospel in every kindly deed and wish and motive, in remembrance of Him who said, "proclaim the good tidings to the whole creation." The example of true living is one of the best forms of mission work. But this is of course only one aspect of our missionary duty. By the press as well as by the living voice should we endeavor to proclaim the good news that now it is permitted for the Christian church to enter intellectually into the hidden mysteries of faith.

And to this end, do we not need a profounder and a more prayerful study of the works of the Lord's illumined scribe? In this connection let it be mentioned that the copy of the "Principia" published by your society, and the first fruit of the movement to reproduce all the preliminary works of Swedenborg, has been exhibited at this session, and favorably received, and the thought has been urged that with a new opportunity for the thorough mastery of these preparatory works we shall be better prepared to understand the later ones. The need of a better understanding is apparent.

We are meeting this year in our National Church, in our beautiful capital city. After a long delay, the church equipment is about to be completed by the addition of the new building for Sunday-school and social uses. Our session has been a hopeful and inspiring as well as an uncommonly useful one. Our new President, the Rev. J. K. Smyth, has entered with zeal upon his labors.

In remembrance of recent experiences, the question arises, whether our church organization, if it is to be a true representative of the new Christian Church, will not, from time to time, be called upon to undergo varied and peculiar trials. Is there not in the message to the seven churches, or to those gathered from the wreck of the old Christian Church, a lesson for ourselves? If there be among us, as seems inevitable, different forms of mind, heredities and dispositions, each inclined to exaggerate its native tendency to follow the line of least resistance to its own self-love in the establishment of the church—whether that of the ecclesiasticism of Ephesus, the moralism of Smyrna, the ritualism of Sardis, or any of the rest, is it not manifest that we all need to remember the one universal condition of success, namely, *that we overcome?* And also, the one vital condition on which overcoming is made possible? That is to say, that we never lose sight of Him who walks in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks, who stands at the door and knocks, and without whom we can do nothing. Yielding each his own will and his own opinion, recognizing individual freedom, and believing in the invisible presence and omnipotent power of the Spirit of Truth and Love, can we doubt that we shall be rightly led? And we need not be anxious for the results. While we are not able to answer all questions, the practical path of duty is clear. The commandments "for those who are to be of the New Jerusalem" are wholly plain. We may not turn aside therefrom to right or left.

Our heartfelt wish for you is that your coming Conference gathering may be as encouraging and helpful as ours has been. With the Convention's greetings and good wishes for all the members of the Conference, to which permit me to add my own personal regards to all friends, I remain, dear brethren, on behalf of the General Convention, affectionately,

Your brother in the faith,

JOHN GODDARD.

## Copy of Act of Incorporation

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*An Act to Incorporate the General Convention of the New  
Jerusalem in the United States of America.*

**SECTION 1.**—*Be it enacted by the people of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, that Rev. Thomas Worcester, D. D., of Boston, Mass.; Rev. J. R. Hibbard, of Chicago, Ill.; Rev. T. B. Hayward, of Brookline, Mass.; Robert L. Smith, Esq., of Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.; J. Young Scammon, Esq., of Chicago, and I. S. Britton, Esq., of Springfield, Ill.; Hon. John B. Niles, of La Porte, Ind.; Dr. Charles Shepherd, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Rev. Chauncey Giles, of Cincinnati, Ohio; David Snyder, Esq., of Philadelphia, Pa.; N. F. Cabell, Esq., of Warminster, Va.; Hon. John H. Wilkins and Sampson Reed, of Boston, Mass.; Oliver Gerrish, of Portland, and Henry B. Hoskins, of Gardiner, Me., their associates and successors, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate, under the name of "The General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America"; under which name they shall have perpetual succession with power to receive, take by gift, purchase, devise, or otherwise, property and estate, real, personal, or mixed, for educational or religious purposes, and to hold, lease and sell or convey the same at pleasure.*

**SECTION 2.**—The business affairs of said Convention shall be managed and controlled by its Executive Committee (or General Council), subject to the direction of the Convention when in session. Said Committee (or Council) shall be chosen or appointed, from time to time, in such manner as the Constitution of such Convention may direct, and shall be governed by the Constitution of such Convention, and act in conformity to its votes. Said Committee (or Council) may create such offices, and appoint such officers, as they may see fit, and remove the same at pleasure; and may manage its business affairs in such manner as a majority of said Committee (or Council) may determine, subject to the control of the Convention.

**SECTION 3.**—Said Convention may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend in all courts and places, in its corporate name, by attorney or otherwise. All deeds, conveyances, or leases of the property held by said Convention, for the purpose of leasing or conveying such property, shall be made under the hands of the President and Recording Secretary, and under such seal as said Executive Committee (or General Council) may adopt; but all such deeds must be approved by a majority of said Committee (or Council).

**SECTION 4.**—All gifts, devises, or bequests made to said Convention, shall be used for educational or religious purposes; or the proceeds thereof, if sold, or disposed of, shall be so applied.

**SECTION 5.**—Nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to interfere with the right of said Convention to alter, amend, or abolish its Constitution, or to form a new one, whenever it shall see fit to do so.

APPROVED, January 29, 1861.

## Constitution

### OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE NEW JERUSALEM IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

#### ARTICLE I.—*Name, Object and Membership.*

SECTION 1.—This Body shall be called the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and shall consist of all who acknowledge the doctrines of the New Church as revealed by the Lord God the Saviour Jesus Christ in His Word by means of the theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, and who unite with this Body in performing the general uses of a church.

SECTION 2.—Members of the Convention are recognized as such through their connection with Associations, Societies and other collective bodies which have been admitted by vote of the Convention.

#### ARTICLE II.—*Officers.*

The Officers of the Convention shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by ballot, and shall hold their offices until their successors are chosen; a Council of Ministers, consisting of all the ministers belonging to the Convention, of whom twelve shall constitute a quorum; and a General Council, consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretaries, and Treasurer, together with four ministers and six laymen, to be chosen by ballot by the Convention.

#### ARTICLE III.—*Duties and Powers.*

SECTION 1.—The President, Vice-President, Secretaries, and Treasurer shall perform the duties implied by the names of their several offices, and such other duties as the Convention may require of them.

SECTION 2.—The General Council shall be the Executive Committee of the Convention, and shall have superintendence of the business of the Convention, and shall exercise the powers of the Convention in the interim of its sessions.

SECTION 3.—The Council of Ministers shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the doctrine and worship of the Church and to the Ministry, subject to the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE IV.—*Sessions and Representation.*

SECTION 1.—Sessions of this Convention shall be held at least triennially, at such times and places as it may determine.

SECTION 2.—All members of this Body shall have the right to be present at its meetings, and to take part in its deliberations. They may also be appointed upon committees and elected to office. But the right to vote shall be limited to ministers of the Convention, and to

the delegates of Associations and of other Bodies of the Church entitled to representation in the Convention.

**SECTION 3.**—Every such Association or other Body of the Church shall be entitled to two delegates, and an additional delegate for every fifty members.

#### *ARTICLE V.—The Ministry.*

*Preamble.* The Office of the Ministry exists for the sake of administering the things which pertain to "the Divine Law and Worship." The general principles of this office are taught in the treatise entitled "The New Jerusalem and Its Heavenly Doctrine," n. 311-319.

**SECTION 1.**—A member of the New Church, after a suitable preparation in the Convention Theological School, or by a course of study under the supervision of a General Pastor, or by preparation satisfactory to the Council of Ministers, may be authorized by a General Pastor to lead in worship, to teach the doctrines of the Church, to lecture, and to officiate at funerals, under his supervision; such authorization to be renewed annually. Persons so authorized shall be known as Authorized Candidates or Preachers.

**SECTION 2.**—A graduate of said School, or an Authorized Candidate or Preacher, may, with the sanction of the Convention or an Association, be ordained by a General Pastor into the office of Minister, with power, in addition to the functions set forth in section 1, to administer the sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Supper, and to administer other rites of the Church not specifically assigned to the office of General Pastor.

**SECTION 3.**—A Minister who has been invited by a society to become its Pastor, may, on presentation of the proper credentials to a General Pastor or Presiding Minister of an Association, be installed into the office of Pastor.

**SECTION 4.**—A Pastor, after a suitable term in the pastoral office may, by request of an Association of the Convention, and with the sanction of the Convention, be invested with the office of General Pastor, with power, in addition to those previously conferred, to authorize candidates and ordain ministers, while acting as Presiding Minister of an Association, or of the Convention, or at the request of any such Association. Any Minister who is President of the Convention may be invested by vote of the Convention with the powers of General Pastor; or an Association may, with the sanction of the Convention, temporarily invest the powers of General Pastor in its Presiding Minister during his continuance in office.

**SECTION 5.**—A Minister ordained by authority of the Convention, or one recognized by and acting under the rules of the Convention, shall be considered a minister and member of the Convention, and subject to its jurisdiction, until his connection therewith shall be severed by voluntary act on his part, or by action of the Convention.

#### *ARTICLE VI.—Amendments.*

This Constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Convention by a two-thirds vote provided that the proposed amendment shall first have been referred to the General Council, and public notice of the substance thereof shall have been given at least six months before the time of such meeting, which notice may be dispensed with for any special occasion by a three-fourths vote of the Convention.

## By-Laws of the General Convention

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### *ARTICLE I.—Religious Observances at Convention.*

**SECTION 1.**—The meetings of the Convention shall be opened by the reading of the Word and prayer, every morning.

**SECTION 2.**—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered on the Sunday included in the session of the Convention.

### *ARTICLE II.—Enrolment of Convention.*

**SECTION 1.**—A Committee on Credentials, to consist of three persons, shall be appointed at the opening of each session of the Convention, to examine the credentials of the delegates, and to make up the Roll of the Convention; said Committee to sit during the whole of that session and to add to and correct the Roll, as may be proper.

**SECTION 2.**—All members of the New Church, who are in attendance at any session of the Convention, are invited to take seats in the meetings and inscribe their names and residences in a register to be kept for that purpose, and such registry shall entitle them to participate in its deliberations. This By-Law shall be read by the Secretary immediately after the opening of each session of the Convention.

### *ARTICLE III.—Order of Business.*

**SECTION 1.**—Reports and Communications shall be presented in the following order:—

- (1) Report of the President.
- (2) Report of the Secretaries.
- (3) Report of the Treasurer.
- (4) Report of the General Council.
- (5) Report of the Board of Publication.
- (6) Report of the Corporation of the Theological School.
- (7) Report of the Treasurer of the Theological School Fund.
- (8) Report of the Board of Managers of the Theological School.
- (9) Report of the Trustees of the Building Fund.
- (10) Report of the Trustees of the National Church.
- (11) Report of the Trustees of the Pension Fund.
- (12) Report of the Trustees of the Orphan Fund.
- (13) Report of the Trustee of the Rice Legacy.
- (14) Report of the Trustees of the Rotch Legacy.
- (15) Report of the Council of Ministers.
- (16) Report of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.
- (17) Report of the Committee on the Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts.
- (18) Report of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association.
- (19) Report of the American New-Church League.
- (20) Reports of Associations in alphabetical order.
- (21) Reports of Societies.

- (22) Reports of General Pastors and Ministers.
- (23) Special Reports.
- (24) Unfinished Business.
- (25) New Business.

When any report called for is not ready, its presentation shall be postponed until all other regular reports have been presented in their order. This rule shall not apply to the report of the Council of Ministers or of the General Council, which may be presented as soon as prepared.

No debate shall be allowed on any of the above reports until all of them have been presented; but a motion to refer, or to adopt a recommendation, without debate, shall be in order.

The above Order of Business may be suspended at any time by a two-thirds vote.

#### ARTICLE IV.—Committee on Business.

SECTION 1.—At each session of the Convention, or as soon thereafter as possible, the President shall appoint a committee of five persons, to be called the Committee on Business, at least three of whom shall be from the Association where the next session of the Convention is to be held, which shall prepare for the said session and shall have charge of the general business of the Convention. It shall be the duty of this committee to assign the order under which different subjects shall be presented to the Convention and the time to be allotted to each subject; and to prepare and print the program of that session of the Convention, but such program may be changed at any time by the Convention.

SECTION 2.—All new business, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, shall take the form of a notice of motion, and shall be referred directly to the Business Committee without debate, to assign a time for its consideration.

#### ARTICLE V.—Parliamentary Procedure.

SECTION 1.—The rules and regulations which obtain in deliberative assemblies generally shall govern the proceedings of the Convention, so far as they are consistent with the By-Laws.

SECTION 2.—The *yeas* and *nays* shall be taken whenever they are called for by one-fifth of the persons voting.

SECTION 3.—No member shall speak more than five minutes at one time, nor more than twice upon any subject, without the consent or leave of the Convention.

#### ARTICLE VI.—Duties of the President.

SECTION 1.—All Committees shall be appointed by the President of the Convention, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, or provided in the Constitution or By-Laws; but the Vice-President may appoint committees in the President's absence.

SECTION 2.—The President and Vice-President are authorized to fill vacancies on any committees, and to send their names to the Secretary for publication in the *Journal*.

SECTION 3.—The President shall present an address or sermon at each session of the Convention, setting forth the condition and wants of the Convention.

**SECTION 4.**—The President shall from time to time address the General Conference of the New Church in Great Britain, and other general bodies of the Church, or appoint some person or persons to do so. All addresses ordered by the Convention to go forth in its name shall first be submitted to the Convention or to the General Council for adoption.

#### **ARTICLE VII.—*Duties of the Secretaries.***

**SECTION 1.**—All reports of Associations, Societies, General Pastors, and unattached Ministers shall be sent to the Recording Secretary at least four weeks previous to the session of the Convention, and shall be prepared by him and presented to the Convention in print. Copies shall also be mailed to the Ministers and Associations ten days prior to the opening of the Convention. So far as possible, the following reports shall also be printed and distributed with the foregoing, namely, the reports of the President, Secretaries, Treasurer, Auditors of Account of Treasurer, Board of Publication, Corporation of the Theological School, Treasurer of the Theological School, Board of Managers of the Theological School, Trustees of the New-Church Building Fund, Trustees of the National Church, Trustees of the Pension Fund, Trustees of the Orphan Fund, Trustee of the Rice Legacy, Trustees of the Rotch Legacy, Board of Home and Foreign Missions, Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts, Trustees of the Iungerich Fund, Committee to Audit Accounts of the Iungerich Fund, Trustees of the Swedenborg Memorial Fund, Committee on Transportation. The Secretary shall condense and tabulate all reports and documents which are entitled to a place in the *Journal*, as far as is consistent with giving the substance thereof; and shall prepare, from the statistics of the several Associations, or other collective bodies of the Church, a table of the representatives to which the Associations respectively are entitled.

**SECTION 2.**—The Secretaries of the Convention shall constitute a Committee on the *Journal*, whose duty it shall be to procure the publication of the *Journal* entire as recorded, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention or the General Council; and such reports or other documents received by the Convention, not ordered to be printed by the Convention, as they may deem useful; with such a number of copies for distribution as the Committee shall judge necessary. For the expenses of printing the *Journal*, the Committee may draw on the Treasurer.

**SECTION 3.**—The Secretary shall, under the direction of the President, distribute to the Ministers, Societies, and Associations belonging to this Convention, the Minutes of the General Conference of the New Church in Great Britain, and other documents sent to this Convention, as soon as received. He shall also, under the direction of the President, distribute copies of the *Journal* of the Convention to foreign bodies or persons abroad.

#### **ARTICLE VIII.—*The General Council.***

**SECTION 1.**—Meetings of the General Council may be called by the President and Secretaries, or any five members thereof, upon giving thirty days' notice by letter, the time to be computed from the mailing of the letter; and at all meetings of said Council seven shall constitute a quorum.

**SECTION 2.**—No appropriation of a larger sum of money than two hundred dollars shall be made by the General Council, unless a majority of the members thereof assent thereto; and no portion of the principal of the Rice Fund shall be appropriated by the Council; nor shall any appropriation be made by said Council at any time, beyond the amount in the treasury available for the purposes of the appropriation.

#### *ARTICLE IX.—The Council of Ministers.*

**SECTION 1.**—Application for the ordination of Ministers or the investiture of General Pastors, or other matters relating to the office of the ministry, may be first received and considered by the Council of Ministers without previous reference by the Convention and its reports on such matters as require immediate action shall be privileged.

**SECTION 2.**—The Council of Ministers shall from time to time revise the list of Ministers, and report such revision to the Convention for its action. In case a minister shall desire to be reinstated after his name has been stricken from the Roll, he shall make application to the Convention, which shall be referred to the Council of Ministers, to report thereon to the Convention.

**SECTION 3.**—Every minister ordained by authority of the Convention, and not connected with an Association or other collective body acting under the rules of the Convention, shall report his official acts to the Convention annually.

#### *ARTICLE X.—Theological School.*

The Board of Managers to be elected by the vote of the Convention, and to which shall be entrusted the care and conduct of the Theological School, shall consist as now of twelve elective members, four of whom shall be elected each year to serve for three years; and the Board shall elect the President of the School and he shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Board.

#### *ARTICLE XI.—Board of Home and Foreign Missions.*

There shall continue to be a Board of Home and Foreign Missions, consisting of the President of the Convention, *ex-officio*, and eighteen elective members, nine of whom shall be ministers and nine laymen, three ministers and three laymen to be elected annually by the Convention to serve for three years. Seven members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

#### *ARTICLE XII.—Board of Trustees of the Building Fund.*

The Board of Trustees of the Building Fund shall continue to consist of six members, two of whom shall be elected annually by the Convention to serve for three years.

#### *ARTICLE XIII.—Board of Trustees of the National Church.*

The Board of Trustees of the National Church, now holding the title to and having control of the Church property in Washington, D. C., shall continue to consist of fifteen members; and vacancies

in their number shall be filled by the Board, with the approval of the President and Secretaries of the Convention; and five members shall constitute a quorum.

#### **ARTICLE XIV.—*Board of Trustees of the Pension Fund.***

The Board of Trustees of the Pension Fund shall continue to consist of the Treasurer of the Convention *ex-officio*, and ten elective members, five of whom shall be ministers and five laymen, two to be elected annually by the Convention, to serve for five years.

#### **ARTICLE XV.—*Board of Trustees of the Orphan Fund.***

The Board of Trustees of the Orphan Fund shall continue to consist of the Treasurer of the Convention *ex-officio*, and six elective members, three of whom shall be ministers and three laymen, two to be elected annually by the Convention, to serve for three years.

#### **ARTICLE XVI.—*Application for Membership.***

The application of an Association or other body of the Church to be received by this Body and represented in the General Convention, may be made through the General Council, and upon their recommendation shall come before the Convention. When the Convention has voted to receive such Association or other body, the President shall announce the names of its delegates, and invite them to come forward. He shall then inform them of the vote of the Convention, and, all the members rising, he shall give the delegates the right hand of fellowship, and welcome them to all the privileges enjoyed by other delegates.

#### **ARTICLE XVII.—*Miscellaneous Provisions.***

**SECTION 1.**—All communications addressed to the Convention during the interim between its sessions shall be sent to the President or Secretaries.

**SECTION 2.**—The Treasurer is authorized to audit the accounts of the President and Secretaries of the Convention, of the Secretary of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions, and of the Secretary of the Council of Ministers, for traveling expenses in connection with each session, and to pay the same.

**SECTION 3.**—The Constitution and Act of Incorporation shall be re-printed with each *Journal*.

## Standing Recommendations

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*To Associations, etc.*

1. Each Association, or other collective body of the Church, is requested to report annually a list of its ministers.
2. The Convention recommends to the several Associations composing this body that, as far as they are able, they sustain their General Pastor or Presiding Minister in the general work of the Church in their Association; and when one Association is unable to support a General Pastor, entirely or in part, that adjoining Associations unite in the support of a General Pastor. (*Journal* of 1875, Minute 66.)
3. Associations are recommended to make such specific rules, under the general rules for the regulation of the ministry, as they may consider necessary or desirable.
4. Associations are requested to furnish the Secretaries with copies of all their printed *Journals* of past years, and also copies of their future proceedings, from time to time, as they may be published. (*Journal* of 1900, Minute 163.)

*To Isolated Societies.*

5. To establish a Sabbath school and to give it watchful care, in which the truths of the Church shall be distinctly taught.
6. To adopt as rules of discipline, or laws of charity, what is taught by the Lord in MATT. v. 23, 24, and xviii. 15-17.
7. To establish free libraries of the theological works of Swedenborg for loan to all who are interested.

*To Ministers.*

8. If not connected with any Association, or other collective body reporting to the Convention, to report to the Convention at each session, stating where they are employed, and for what portion of the time.
9. To keep a record of the names, ages, residences, etc., of all persons baptized by them.

*To the Standing Committee of the American New-Church Sunday-School Association.*

10. To report annually to the Convention such statistics and such action by the Association as may be of general interest.

*As to Meetings of Convention.*

11. That hereafter the meetings of the Convention shall be held at some date not including Decoration Day or the first of the month. (*Journal* of 1893, Minute 133.)

## Act of Incorporation and By-Laws of the New-Church Theological School

### ACT OF INCORPORATION.

No. 1325.

*Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

BE IT KNOWN, That whereas Francis Phelps, David L. Webster, Albert Mason, George Ropes, John Worcester, James Reed, and Edward A. Whiston have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, for the purpose of the maintenance of a theological school for the ecclesiastical body known as the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and have complied with the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of the President, Treasurer, and Directors of said corporation, duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations, and recorded in this office:

Now, THEREFORE, I, HENRY B. PIERCE, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do HEREBY CERTIFY that said Francis Phelps, David L. Webster, Albert Mason, George Ropes, John Worcester, James Reed, and Edward A. Whiston, their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as and are hereby made an existing corporation under the name of the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, with the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties, and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

[SEAL]

WITNESS my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed this seventeenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

HENRY B. PIERCE,

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

### BY-LAWS.

#### I.

#### MEMBERS.

Any male member of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, or of any Association or Society connected therewith, may become a member of this Corporation by signing these By-Laws; and shall cease to be a member thereof upon ceasing to have the qualification above named, or upon filing with the clerk a written withdrawal of membership.

## II.

## OFFICERS.

The officers of this Corporation shall be a President, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Board of Directors, which shall consist of three, until the first annual meeting, and thereafter shall consist of fifteen.

## III.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Corporation and of the Board of Directors, and in his absence a chairman shall be elected by those present. On or before the April meeting of the Directors, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three to bring in a list of nominations of officers of the Corporation for the following year, to be presented at the annual meeting.

The Clerk shall keep the records of the Corporation and of the Board of Directors, and shall give notice of all meetings of both. He shall, immediately after each annual meeting of the Corporation, transmit to the Secretary of said General Convention, a copy of the Treasurer's annual report.

The Treasurer shall, under the direction of the Board of Directors, receive, hold, and disburse all money of the Corporation; and shall have, subject to such direction, the custody and care of all the funds, securities, and property of the Corporation. He shall report to the Corporation each year at the annual meeting.

The Board of Directors shall manage all the business of the Corporation, and five Directors shall constitute a quorum of the Board after the first annual meeting of the Corporation. The Board of Directors shall report to the Corporation each year at the annual meeting.

## IV.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Clerk, Treasurer, and Board of Directors shall be elected by ballot by the Corporation at its annual meeting; and the Board of Directors shall elect by ballot one of their number President of the Corporation. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors, or in any office of the Corporation, may be filled temporarily by the Board of Directors until the next meeting of the Corporation.

## V.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in Boston, on such day of the month of May or June of each year, and at such hour, as the Board of Directors shall appoint; and notice of the time and place of meeting shall be published in the *New-Jerusalem Messenger*, if said paper is then published, at least one month before the time of meeting. Ten members of the Corporation shall constitute a quorum.

VI.

MANAGEMENT OF THE SCHOOL.

The Theological School maintained by this Corporation, as to the appointment of teachers, regulation of the course of study and all matters of control, except the establishment of salaries and the expenditure of money, shall be under the direction of a Board of Managers, to be elected by the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America. This article shall be amended only by a unanimous vote at an annual meeting of the Corporation, the notice for which shall contain the specific amendment proposed.

VII.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws, except Article VI., may be amended at any annual meeting of the Corporation by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided the notice for such meeting shall contain the amendment proposed.

## Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws of the New-Church Board of Publication

### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

The undersigned, Albert Mason, Charles C. Bonney, Samuel S. Seward, Grosvenor P. Lowrey, William W. Niles, Samuel S. Carpenter, Francis J. Worcester, do hereby certify:

1. That they are persons of full age and citizens of the United States, and that a majority of them are citizens of and residents within the State of New York.
2. That they desire to associate themselves and form a Society for benevolent, charitable, literary, and missionary purposes, and for the furtherance of religious opinion, pursuant to the requirements of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled "An Act for the Incorporation of Benevolent, Charitable, Scientific, and Missionary Societies, passed April 12, 1848, and the several Acts amendatory thereof."
3. That the name or title by which such Society shall be known in law is *The New-Church Board of Publication*.
4. That the business of such Society is to be conducted, and the principal place of business is to be, in the city and county of New York.
5. That the particular business and objects of such Society are to be the furtherance of religious opinion by the publication, sale, and distribution of books and periodicals, more especially the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg, and such other works as may be deemed useful in diffusing a knowledge of said writings, and establishing and maintaining a printing-office and bookstore for the publication, sale, and distribution of such books and periodicals.
6. That such Society also intends to undertake certain benevolent, charitable, literary, and missionary work in connection with the publication and distribution of such books and periodicals, and will do and transact such other and incidental business as may be necessary or expedient to enable it to conduct and maintain such printing-office and bookstore to advantage in carrying out the objects of the Society. This corporation is formed at the instance of the religious body known as the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and so far as the laws of the State of New York may now or hereafter permit, without prejudice to its corporate rights or franchises, this Corporation shall act as the publication agent and trustee of said Convention.
7. That the number of Directors to manage the affairs of the Society is twenty.
8. That the names of the Directors of such Society for the first year of its existence are as follows, namely: Samuel S. Seward, William B. Hayden, James Reed, Jabez Fox, Chauncey Giles, John R. Hibbard, Louis H. Tafel, Albinus F. Frost, Frank Sewall, Warren Goddard, Jr., Royal M. Pulsifer, David L. Webster, Mordaunt Bodine,

Henry W. Guernsey, G. Woolworth Colton, Francis J. Worcester,  
Charles H. Allen, James M. Hill, Richard A. Lewis, Henry C.  
Spencer.

Witness our several signatures as of the tenth day of January,  
1883:

ALBERT MASON,  
CHARLES C. BONNEY,  
SAMUEL S. SEWARD,  
GROSVENOR P. LOWREY,  
W. W. NILES,  
SAMUEL S. CARPENTER,  
FRANCIS J. WORCESTER.

(Acknowledgements omitted.)

(Endorsed) I approve of the form and sufficiency of the within  
certificate, and consent that the same be filed in the proper offices.

ABRAHAM R. LAURENCE, J. S. C.

Filed in New York County Clerk's Office, April 9, 1883.

Filed in Secretary of State's Office, Albany. April 10, 1883.

## BY-LAWS.

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### MEMBERSHIP.

ART. 1. Any adult male may become a member of this Society by a unanimous vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Society, or any adjournment thereof, upon signing the roll of membership; or on presenting a certificate signed by one of the Secretaries of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America that he has been chosen as a suitable person to become a member by vote of the General Convention, or of its Executive Committee, and signing the roll of membership.

### OFFICERS.

ART. 2. The Officers of this Society shall consist of a Board of Directors, numbering twenty, who shall at their first meeting divide themselves into four classes of five each, and the term of office of the several classes shall successively expire in one, two, three, and four years, and at every annual meeting after the first the Society shall elect five of its members as Directors to serve for four years and until their successors are chosen.

The Directors shall have power to fill vacancies in any class, and the terms of Directors so chosen shall expire with the term of the class in which the vacancies so filled occur.

The Directors shall elect annually by ballot from among their number a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be the President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Society; and the Directors may at any time fill vacancies in these offices, and also appoint other officers of the Society and fix their compensation.

## OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY.

ART. 3. It shall be the aim of the Society to carry out the views and wishes of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, as far as it is possible to do so, both in the care and disbursement of funds entrusted to the Society by the said Convention, and by having the character of its publishing work such as shall meet the approval of the said Convention, as said approval may be manifested by the said Convention by means of a committee for the purpose or otherwise.

## AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.

ART. 4. By-Laws numbers 1 to 4, both inclusive, can only be amended by the unanimous vote of all the members present at a special or annual meeting, and the alteration shall not take effect until the consent in writing of three-fourths of the Directors of the Corporation shall have been obtained. All other By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a majority vote.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. 5. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Board of Directors, and in his absence a Chairman shall be elected by those present. The Secretary shall keep the roll of membership and records of the Society and of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall have charge and supervision of its property and business, subject at all times to the direction of the Society.

The Treasurer shall have, under the direction of the Board of Directors, the custody and care of all the funds of the Society, and his accounts shall be kept in books which belong to and remain the property of the Society.

## QUORUM.

ART. 6. Six members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the Corporation except at the annual meeting, when the members present shall constitute a quorum.

Four members shall be a quorum at meetings of the Board of Directors.

## MEETINGS.

ART. 7. The annual meeting shall be held in the city of New York on the second Wednesday in May, unless otherwise determined by the Directors or by vote of the Corporation. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to mail to each Director and to the members of the Corporation a notice of the annual meeting ten days in advance; such notice to be published in the *New Jerusalem Messenger* at least two weeks before said meeting.

Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or by any five members upon like notice.

## ANNUAL REPORT.

ART. 8. The Corporation shall annually make a report of its work to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America.

## Invested Funds of the General Convention

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### FUNDED BEQUESTS, LEGACIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

**WILKINS FUND.**—Legacy of John H. Wilkins, of Massachusetts, received June 7, 1864, \$3,000, increased by change of securities to \$3,768.75.

Income to be appropriated to Educational and Missionary purposes.

Income to be divided equally between the Board of Missions and the Theological School. (*Journal*, 1897, Minute 70.)

**WALES FUND.**—Bequest of Martin Wales, of Massachusetts, received Dec. 7, 1875, \$5,000. No restrictions.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention. (*Journal*, 1909, Minute 98.)

**RICHARDS FUND.**—Bequest of Giles Richards, of Ohio, received April 27, 1877, \$1,000. To be invested in securities of the United States or the State of New York.

Income to be applied in augmentation of the Fund for printing and publishing in connection with the General Convention, wherever such printing and publishing is carried on.

Payable to New-Church Board of Publication. (*Journal*, 1877, Minute 95.)

**JENKINS FUND.**—Legacy of Eliza Jenkins, of Massachusetts, received Sept. 17, 1877, \$2,000. No restrictions.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention. (*Journal*, 1909, Minute 98.)

**SIMPINKS FUND.**—Legacy of N. S. Simpkins, Jr., of New York, received July, 1887, \$20,000 in Bonds of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, which matured and were paid July 1, 1900.

Income to be applied for the use and benefit of such Theological school as is now or may hereafter be conducted by said Corporation.

**EMILY S. WHITE FUND.**—Gift by Mrs. White, of Ohio (see *Journal*, 1882, Minute 62).

House and land, which were sold for \$4,500, and the proceeds invested for the purpose of creating a fund to be used under the direction of the Convention in printing, publishing, or circulating the Theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg.

Applied to publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts. (*Journal*, 1898, Minute 52.)

**FUND FOR PHOTO-LITHOGRAPHING THE MANUSCRIPTS OF SWEDENBORG.**—Collected by subscriptions, by order of the Convention, June 11, 1887.

Amount of Fund, May 1, 1912, \$3,131.46.

NATIONAL CHURCH AT WASHINGTON, D. C.—Built at the southeast corner of Sixteenth and Corcoran Streets, under the supervision of a National Committee appointed in 1889, to take charge of the building of a house of Worship in the city of Washington; authorized to raise funds for the object, to act as trustees of the property in the name of the Convention, and to fill vacancies in their number in conference with, and with the approval of, the President and Secretaries of the Convention.—*Journal*, 1889, Minute 48.

Carried upon the books of the Treasurer as a non-interest bearing asset of Convention at a valuation of \$100,000.—*Journal*, 1908, Minute 94.

BISSELL FUND.—By the will of Martin C. Bissell, of Joliet, Ill., the testator gave all his estate to trustees to pay,—

1. A number of pecuniary legacies to certain persons therein named.
2. To set apart \$17,000 for the erection of a house of worship at Joliet, Ill.
3. To pay an annuity of \$200 for the benefit of the *New-Church Independent and Monthly Review*.
4. To pay an annuity of \$800 for the maintenance of public worship in the city of Joliet, Ill.
5. To pay an annuity of \$1,200 to the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia.
6. To pay an annuity of \$1,200 to the General Convention for publishing New-Church doctrines and literature.

All said annuities were to continue for twenty years next following his death.

By the seventh section of the fourth item of his will, the testator directed that at the end of said twenty years all his estate should be converted by his trustees into ready money or its equivalent, and out of these proceeds to pay,—

1. To the New-Church Association, within whose bounds the city of Joliet should then be embraced, the sum of \$25,000 for supporting the preaching of the New-Church doctrine in said locality.
2. To pay to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America the sum of \$60,000 in trust for the following purposes, namely, one-half for the use of the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia, and the other half to be used under the direction of the Convention for publishing New-Church doctrines and literature, or else for such charities of the New Church as said Convention in its wisdom may think best to apply it.

He then gave all the residue of his estate to the Convention in trust for general religious purposes in keeping with the New-Church doctrines, all lapsing legacies to go to the Convention, thus making the Convention his full residuary legatee and trustee.

Mr. Bissell died May 20, 1888.

Immediately upon the presentation of his will for probate, suits were commenced to break the same, and claims of various kinds entered against the estate, which involved expensive litigation and a reduction of the principal considerably below the estimated value at the time of Mr. Bissell's death.

The income of certain quarry property supposed to have good productive capacity also rapidly diminished, and it then became apparent that the design of the testator for the holding of the prop-

erty for twenty years and the payment of said annuities could not be carried out.

The debts by the estate as well as the pecuniary legacies and allowed expenses having been settled, it was considered best by the parties interested in the estate that the trust should be closed and the remainder of the estate turned over to the Convention.

An agreement was accordingly entered into by the annuitants and final legatees providing for a cash payment of \$1,000 to the *New-Church Independent* and a distribution of the remaining property upon the basis of an estimated cash value thereof of \$80,000 as follows: Forty-eighths (40-80) to the Convention, twenty-one eightieths (21-80) to the Illinois Association, and nineteen eightieths (19-80) to the Swedenborg Publishing Association of Philadelphia. In 1908, the assessed value of the estate was over \$91,000.

This agreement was submitted to the Circuit Court in 1897, and in 1898 was finally ratified, with a provision, however, making the Convention a trustee of the sum of \$17,000, and its future accumulations at 5 per cent., for the protection of the trust in the will which provided for the erection of a house of worship at Joliet, Ill., the decree further requiring that a sufficient portion of the best productive real estate should be held by the Convention as trustee for this purpose, the same to be of sufficient value to guarantee the payment of the said sum of \$17,000 and accumulations, until the end of the original twenty years, to wit, May 12, 1908. As the capital thus pledged is sufficient to secure this end, the income can be enjoyed by the Convention under its agreement with its co-beneficiaries ad interim.

A full and complete report of the Committee appointed to make settlement with the executor of Mr. Bissell, which includes also a copy of his will and an inventory of the estate turned over to the Convention, will be found in the report of the General Council on pages 57 to 71 inclusive, *Journal*, 1899. See also the reports of the Treasurer of the Convention since that date.

**SOPHIA W. HAYDEN FUND.**—The Legacy received from Mrs. Sophia W. Hayden was devised in the following terms:—

"To the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, and its successors forever, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, to be by it funded and the income therefrom to be employed as follows, namely:—

"The income of One Thousand Dollars to be devoted to the cause of New-Church Missions in foreign countries; the income of One Thousand Dollars to be devoted annually to the cause of New-Church Home Missionary work; and the income of the remaining One Thousand Dollars to be aploled to any of the general uses or expenses of the Convention as it may determine."

**EDWARD W. BROWN FUND.**—Legacy under will of E. W. Brown, of Boston, Mass.—"To be properly invested by said Corporation or Convention, and the income thereof to be added thereto, and the whole applied in aid of a faithful translation from the original language in the light of the New (Jerusalem) Church of the revealed Word of God, and in publishing the same, when translators possessing the requisite ability to do the work are assured, and a fund from this and other sources shall be adequate for its accomplishment, \$1,000." With addition of income the amount is now \$2,118.04.

**MARHTA D. GARDNER LEGACY.**—Legacy under will of M. D. Gardner, of Bristol, R. I., \$50. No restrictions named. Increased by income to \$84.56.

**SARAH B. EHRMAN FUND.**—Amount received from Executor of the Estate of Sarah B. Ehrman, of Cincinnati, in compromise of a bequest under said will, authorized by the Convention (Minute 54, *Journal* of 1894): "On the express condition that the said General Convention shall hold, manage, and use the said money in accordance with the provision of the will and codicil of Sarah B. Ehrman, for the general New-Church uses, such as Mission Work, *The Messenger*, publishing of New-Church Books, or any other useful work of the New Church, the Convention deciding what is best." \$2,500.

Applied to the *New-Church Messenger*.—*Journal*, 1902, Minute 162.

**LEHNEN FUND.**—Bequest under will of John Jacob Lehnen. Amount, \$500. For educational and religious purposes. Increased by income to \$977.76.

**HAMMATT FUND.**—Donation by Miss Anna C. P. Hammatt, of New Bedford, Mass., received in 1896 from Mr. Benjamin Worcester, in whose hands it had been left by donor. Income to be applied to supplying New-Church periodicals, preferably *The Messenger*, to persons unable to subscribe for them. Amount, \$400.—*Journal*, 1896, Minute 37.

**KENDALL FUND.**—Legacy under will of Henry Kendall, of Cincinnati, O., amounting to \$2,879, to be applied to "missionary, tract, and publication purposes."

One-half the income applied to *New-Church Messenger*.—*Journal*, 1902, Minute 162.

**FORD FUND.**—Legacy of fifty shares Northern Railroad, New Hampshire, "For the uses and purposes to which the Convention may choose by vote to apply the same," taken at par of \$5,000.

Also twelve shares of Tremont Nail Company, on which at present there are no dividends, but which has a market value of about \$75.00 a share.

Income applied to General Expense Fund of Convention.—*Journal*, 1909, Minute 98. Accumulated income, \$729.07.

**OFFICER FUND.**—Legacy of Alexander Officer, of Chicago, Ill., received March, 1898, \$1,000. "For the maintenance of the Missionary Work of the Convention, under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions."

**M. E. DU PONT TRUST.**—A deed of trust from Mrs. M. E. Du Pont, of Wilmington, Del., of five \$1,000 6 per cent. Bonds of the Johnstown (Pa.) Passenger Railway Company, to be held by the General Convention and to apply the income thereof through the Board of Home and Foreign Missions in payment, or partial payment, of the salary of the minister of the New-Church Society of Louisville, Ky. And if at any time there should be no minister employed by said Society, then the interest and income accruing on said property during the time in which there shall be no minister employed by the said Society, shall be invested and added to the principal of said fund and form a part, thereof, so that the interest and income on the accumulated fund may be applied as above directed.

Increased by addition of income, while the Louisville Society was without a minister, to \$5,630. Above bonds sold and five 5 per cent. Equitable Gas and Electric Co. Bonds bought.

**BARKER LEGACY.**—By the will of George M. Barker, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, the General Convention was to receive four thousand dollars, two thousand being for the benefit of the Theological School of the General Convention, the remaining two thousand for the support and maintenance of the missionary work of said General Convention. Owing to contest of the will, payments have been delayed. The Convention has received to May 1, 1910, after deducting expenses, \$2,599.57.

**WENTZ FUND.**—A bequest of one thousand dollars in the will of Amelia L. Wentz, of Newburgh, N. Y., to be invested and held as a fund to be known as the "Wentz Fund," and its income to be applied to the general uses of the Convention. The amount was reduced by legacy tax to \$952.50. By credit of income increased to \$1,000.

**Lowe FUND.**—Legacy of Lewis G. Lowe, received Sept. 28, 1900, \$2,000. "Income to be used for the maintenance of the missionary work of the Convention under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions."

**KIMBALL FUND.**—A bequest to the General Convention of one thousand dollars, in the will of Rufus C. Kimball, of Brockton, Mass., "for the maintenance of its missionary work under the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions." Received April 24, 1903. \$1,000.

**MORRISON FUND.**—Extract from the will of Mary A. Morrison, of Newburgh, N. Y.: "Eleventh—I give and bequeath the sum of two thousand dollars unto the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, a Corporation created under the laws of the State of Illinois, to be invested by said Corporation and designated and known as 'The Mary A. Morrison Fund,' the income to be derived therefrom only to be used and expended as said Convention may direct."

The bequest as received from the estate was reduced by the amount of the legacy tax to \$1,905.

**CHASE LEGACY.**—Extract from the will of Louisa L. Chase: "Thirdly, after the decease of myself and my sisters aforesaid, my said trustee is to pay over all that may be remaining of my estate to the Treasurer of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem Church in the United States, said sum to be expended in publishing and printing the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg and collateral writings of the New Jerusalem Church approved by said Convention."

The amount realized under this bequest, including accumulated income, is \$690.85.

**EMERSON FUND.**—Extract from the will of Susan J. Emerson, of Boston, Mass.; "I give and bequeath to the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States five hundred (500) dollars to be placed in the Endowment Fund for the use of the Missionary Board."

The proceeds of Mrs. Emerson's estate permitted only \$280 of the amount to be paid to the Convention.

**WASHINGTON MISSION FUND FOR WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.—**Proceeds of the sale of property in Washington City, and one-half of Mary P. Ropes legacy, amounting to \$5,678.20.

**MARY P. ROPES FUND.**—By the terms of the will of Mary P. Ropes the income of the specific legacy is to be divided equally between the Board of Publication, the Board of Missions, and the Theological School. The present investment consists of 327 shares Boston & Albany Railroad Stock, valued at \$73,575. See Treasurer's Report, 1909.

**ELIZA O. ROPES FUND.**—By the terms of the will of Eliza O. Ropes the income of the specific legacy is to be divided annually among the Board of Publication, the Board of Missions, and the Theological School for their respective work. The present investment consists of 328 shares of Boston and Albany Railroad stock valued at ..... \$73,800.00  
In addition to the foregoing, the following cash legacies

were given by the testatrix:—

For the Ministers' Aid Fund (noted under heading Pension Fund) .....	10,000.00
For the Orphan Fund (preferably for children of New-Church parentage) .....	5,000.00
For the Endowment Fund of the Board of Missions....	5,000.00
For the Endowment of the <i>New-Church Messenger</i> ....	10,000.00

\$103,800.00

See Treasurer's Report, 1909.

**DAVID L. WEBSTER FUND.**—A legacy of \$10,000, given by David L. Webster, of Boston, to the Convention without restrictions.

**DORINDA N. SHEPARD FUND.**—Under the will of Mrs. Dorinda N. Shepard, there has been received on account of the Legacy to the Convention, without restrictions, the sum of \$4,910.00. Upon the death of another beneficiary, having a life interest, a small additional sum will be received.

**LEWIS RYDER FUND.**—A legacy of \$1,000, given by Lewis Ryder to the Convention without restrictions.

**THEODORE F. WRIGHT FUND.**—A legacy of \$2,000 for missionary purposes.

**WILLIAM DONALDSON FUND.**—The will of William Donaldson provided for a gift of \$10,000.00 "for the maintenance of the missionary work of the Convention in the charge of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions."

Unfortunately this estate proved smaller than was anticipated and the sum of \$1,989.70 has been received as full payment of this legacy.

**HENRY SIEBERT FUND.**—A legacy of \$500.00 given by Henry Siebert "the income therefrom to be available for the uses of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions of the General Convention."

**THIRZA L. WESTCOTT FUND.**—A legacy given by Miss Thirza L. Westcott: "Blocks 138 and 200 in Alexander addition to El Paso in trust for a church to be established there, when property is to be conveyed to said church to be occupied or sold and proceeds applied

to purchase of another property or building or both. If no church in ten years having at least fifty members residing in El Paso, title to vest absolutely in Convention, to be disposed of at its discretion for upbuilding of New Churches (sic) in Texas.

Blocks 208 and 224 in same addition on precisely same trust to San Antonio, the only difference being that title would vest absolutely in Convention if Society of at least fifty members not organized there in five years, then for New Churches (sic) in Texas.

Three-sixteenths interest in surveys 259 and 267 to be sold and proceeds applied at discretion of Convention for building and establishing and support of churches of New Jerusalem in Texas."

Miss Westcott died in December, 1910.

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*A statement of the investment of the above funds will be found on pages 32-34 of this Journal.*

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**THE PENSION FUND.**—For the relief of aged and needy ministers, their widows and minor children. Established by the General Convention (see JOURNAL, 1905, Minutes 79-81, also pp. 63-65, and JOURNAL 1906, Minutes 28, 97.) The principal of this fund on May 1, 1912, amounted to \$19,049.07. (See Report of the Trustees of said Fund, JOURNAL, 1912, page 90.)

**THE ORPHANAGE FUND.**—First: For the support, care, and education, under New-Church influences so far as practicable, of minor children of New-Church parentage, both parents being deceased.

Second: Of such minor children, one parent being deceased.

Third: Of any other orphans or needy children as the Board of Trustees may prescribe or Convention direct. (JOURNAL, 1907, Minutes, 109, 110. Amount of Fund, May 1, 1912, \$5,627.33. See Treasurer's report.)

## Other Funds for Convention Uses but Not Held by the Treasurer of Convention

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RICE FUND.—Legacy of Dr. Chas. D. Rice, of Maine, received in 1858. "\$5,000 to Sampson Reed, Leader of the Boston Society, or his successor in office, to be appropriated by the General Convention when it meets in Boston only." Now held by Benjamin Pettee, Trustee.

By resolution adopted by Convention, in Boston, June 14, 1905, the income, until otherwise ordered, is to be applied to the distribution of New-Church literature and to fitting up and replenishing the library of the Theological School.

*A statement of the investment of the above fund will be found on page 87 of this Journal.*

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ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE BOARD OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.— Collected by legacies and donations. See JOURNAL of 1888, Minute 42, inviting contributions from the members of the church for its augmentation. Held by the Treasurer of the Board. JOURNAL, 1897, Page 84. Present amount of Fund, \$11,049.28.

*See pages 75 and 76 of this Journal for investment of said Fund and information as to Fund held by the Board for the Savannah New-Church Society, and the British Guiana Mission.*

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ROTCH FUND.—Legacy of Lydia S. Rotch, received Sept. 24, 1863, \$14,250.

Held by Trustees appointed under her will with power to appoint and fill vacancies. To be used and applied at their joint discretion for the benefit of the General Convention (see JOURNAL of 1888, pages 42, 43.)

*See pages 96 and 97 of this Journal for statement of property on hand.*

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NEW-CHURCH BUILDING FUND.—Held by Trustees elected by the Convention pursuant to Resolution adopted in 1875, Minute 107, for the purpose of aiding societies in erecting New-Church places of worship in America.

Total assets, \$6,232.00.

*See page 85 of this Journal.*

## Invested Funds of the New-Church Theological School

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THE ENDOWMENT FUND was raised in accordance with the Resolutions, Minute 48, JOURNAL of 1880.

The total amount of this Fund is \$68,585.07, the income of which is used for the current support of the School.

THE CAMBRIDGE REAL-ESTATE FUND was subscribed "for the purchase of the Sparks Estate in Cambridge, for a permanent location of the School," as per the Report of the Corporation to Convention in 1889. The amount of this fund is \$25,094.35.

THE HAYDEN ENDOWMENT FUND was bequeathed to the School by the Rev. Wm. B. Hayden (\$25,930.34), and Mrs. Wm. B. Hayden (\$3,332.28), which, with gain on stocks and bonds sold (\$1,377.59), amounts in all to \$30,640.21.

THE ASA WEEKS FUND was bequeathed by Asa Weeks, of Laconia, N. H., to Trustees, for the benefit of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America, to be devoted to the endowment of a college of learning for the benefit and under control of aforesaid Convention.

The Supreme Court of New Hampshire, May, 1899, decreed that the amount be paid by the Trustees to the Corporation of the New-Church Theological School, to be kept by said Corporation as a separate fund to be known as the Asa Weeks Fund, to be safely invested by said Corporation in securities recognized in law as suitable for the investment of trust funds and that the principal of said fund shall be forever kept intact. The income only of said fund may from time to time be expended by said Corporation for its educational purposes, while and so long as it shall continue to maintain a school under the control of said General Convention.

The principal of this fund is \$6,441.74.

THE HENRY C. THACHER FUND was a gift to the Corporation from the widow and children of Mr. Thacher, "to be kept securely invested, and the income received from said fund to be expended for the general purposes and uses of the New-Church Theological School." Amount, \$10,000.

THE LYDIA WORCESTER FUND was bequeathed to Trustees for the benefit of the School, with the power, if it seemed best, to place the fund in the hands of the Corporation. The surviving Trustee, the Rev. James Reed, transferred the property to the Corporation April 25, 1901. The property at this time consisted in part of real estate, which was sold at a loss from its estimated value. The amount of the fund is now \$19,922.50.

**ROMANZO P. BOYNTON FUND.**—This was a bequest of R. P. Boynton, of West Townshend, Vt. The amount received, after deducting attorneys' fees and expenses, was \$1,683.21.

**ELIZABETH TALBOT LEGACY.**—A bequest (\$2,000) of Elizabeth Talbot, of Indianapolis, Indiana. The amount received, after deducting attorneys' fees and expenses, was \$1,948.03.

**ELOCUTION DEPARTMENT ENDOWMENT FUND.**—Eight hundred shares preferred stock United Traction Co., Pittsburg, Pa., received from an anonymous donor, April 26, 1901, to establish and endow a chair or professorship of elocution. Par value, \$40,000.

**CHAPEL BUILDING FUND.**—Sundry contributions received for the purpose of building a Chapel on the grounds of the School at Cambridge, now amounting to \$26,368.60. Purchase Fund for additional land, \$5,010.

**FRANCES R. GIBSON FUND.**—Net proceeds of sale of house on Beacon Street, Boston, bequeathed by Mrs. Frances R. Gibson, of Boston, amounting to \$18,355.04.

**THEODORE F. WRIGHT FUND.**—A legacy of \$2,000, bequeathed by Rev. Theodore F. Wright.

**ELIZA O. ROPES FUND.**—A legacy of \$10,000 bequeathed by Eliza O. Ropes.

**SOPHIA KNIGHT FUND.**—A legacy of \$1,000 bequeathed by Sophia Knight.

**HENRY SIEBERT FUND.**—A legacy of \$500 bequeathed by Henry Siebert.

The total amount of these funds is \$277,319.83.

*A statement of the investment of these funds will be found on pages 50 and 51 of this Journal.*

## Invested Funds of the New-Church Board of Publication

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**THE NEW-CHURCH MESSENGER FUND.**—Invested for the benefit of *The Messenger*, see *JOURNAL*, 1888, Minute 30. Interest only to be expended. For terms of subscription see report of the Board, *JOURNAL*, 1889, page 34. Principal, \$18,569.70.

**THE MRS. LYDIA HELENA HAWORTH McDONALD FUND.**—This fund was received in July, 1888, from the Executor of Mrs. McDonald, as a permanent fund to be known by the above title, the interest of which is to be devoted to the uses of the Board forever. See report of the Board, *JOURNAL*, 1889, page 33. Principal, \$7,300.

**THE CAPTAIN WHITE FUND.**—Principal, \$1,900.

**THE SARAH C. BENNETT FUND.**—A legacy of \$5,000.

*A statement of the investment of these funds will be found on page 84 of this Journal.*

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## Swedenborg Memorial Fund

A fund collected by general contributions, "for the ultimate purpose of building in the City of Stockholm, in Sweden, a church which may stand as a memorial of the establishment of the Lord's New Church through Emanuel Swedenborg." Held by Rev. Frank Sewall, Gideon Boericke, and James Richard Carter, Treasurer, Trustees appointed by the General Convention through its General Council. As to the manner of the disposition of the Fund, for the purpose named, the Trustees consider themselves subject to the instructions of the Convention. Amount of Fund on May 1, 1912, \$8,605.02. (*Journal*, 1884, Minute 103; *Journal*, 1885, Minutes 22, 117, and pp. 23, 24, 99; *Journal*, 1886, p. 93; *Journal*, 1901, p. 48; *Journal*, 1905, p. 57; *Journal*, 1908, Minute 36 and pages 120, 121.)

## Bodies Composing the General Convention

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### THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.

*President*.—Rev. Joseph S. David, 1640 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, California.

*Secretary*.—Mr. John C. Perry, R. F. D., No. 1, Highland, Cal.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. Samuel McLaughlin, 450 E. 10th St., Los Angeles, Cal.

*Societies*.—Los Angeles, Riverside, San Diego, San Francisco (O'Farrell Street). 4.

### THE CANADA ASSOCIATION.

*Presiding Minister*.—Rev. E. D. Daniels, 15 Water St., N., Berlin, Ont., Canada.

*Secretary*.—Mr. J. B. McLachlan, 12 Cunningham Ave., Toronto, Ont., Canada.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. Chas. Ruby, 275 King St., West, Berlin, Ont., Canada.

*Societies*.—Berlin, Hamilton, Montreal, Toronto. 4.

### THE ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION.

*Presiding Minister*.—Rev. John S. Saul, 510 Steinway Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

*Secretary*.—Rev. L. G. Landenberger, 3741 Windsor Place, St. Louis, Mo.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. C. H. Cutler, 510 Steinway Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

*Societies*.—Canton, Chicago, Henry, Jefferson, Wis., Joliet, La Porte, Ind., Olney, Osage County, Kan., Peoria, Pittsfield, St. Louis, Mo., Springfield, Union City, Tenn., Wellsville, Mo., Wilmington. 15.

### THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION.

*Presiding Minister*.—Rev. George E. Morgan, Peabody, Kan.

*Secretary*.—Mr. Dan C. Krehbiel, Pretty Prairie, Kan.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. John Schmidt, Pretty Prairie, Kan.

*Societies*.—Pawnee Rock, Pretty Prairie. 2.

### THE MAINE ASSOCIATION.

*President*.—Rev. Baman N. Stone, Fryeburg, Me.

*Secretary*.—Mr. Arthur B. Stearns, Bath, Me.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. Walter A. Robinson, 36 Jason St., Arlington, Mass.

*Societies*.—Bath, Fryeburg, Portland. 3.

**THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.**

*General Pastor*.—Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., 1618 Riggs Place, Washington, D. C.

*Secretary*.—Rev. H. S. Conant, 714 E. 21st St., Baltimore, Md.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. Chas. A. Barnard, 416 5th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

*Societies*.—Baltimore (English), Baltimore (German), Easton, Preston, Md., Richmond, Va., Washington, D. C., and Wilmington, Del. 7.

**THE MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION.**

*General Pastor*.—Rev. James Reed, 12 Louisburg Square, Boston, Mass.

*Secretary*.—Mr. John Daboll, Clark Lane, Waltham, Mass.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. A. P. Carter, 16 Arlington St., Boston, Mass.

*Societies*.—Abington, Boston, Bridgewater, Brockton, Brookline, Cambridge, Contoocook, N. H., East Bridgewater, Fall River, Lancaster, Manchester, N. H., Mansfield, Newtonville, Providence, R. I., Roxbury, Salem, Springfield, Waltham, and Yarmouth. 19.

**THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION.**

*Secretary*.—Mr. B. G. A. Laitner, 165 Englewood Ave., Detroit, Mich.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. Henry Wunsch, Moffat Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

*Societies*.—Almont, Detroit, Grand Rapids. 3.

**THE NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.**

*Presiding Minister*.—Rev. Julian K. Smyth, 230 West 59th St., New York City.

*Secretary*.—Mr. John F. Seekamp, 192 Montague St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Treasurer*.—Mr. S. L'hommedieu, 490 A., Monroe St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Societies*.—Brooklyn, Brooklyn (German 1st and 2nd), Buffalo, Hoboken, New York, New York (German), Orange, N. J., Paterson, N. J., and Riverhead. 10.

**THE OHIO ASSOCIATION.**

*General Pastor*.—Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, 850 Oak St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

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## THE GERMAN SYNOD OF THE NEW CHURCH

*President*.—Rev. Adolph Roeder, 80 Cleveland St., Orange, N. J.

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## SOCIETIES.

Connecticut Association .....	admitted	1884
Denver, Colo., Society .....	"	1879
Iowa General Society .....	"	1890
Jacksonville, Fla., Society .....	"	1891
St. Paul, Minn., Society .....	"	1911
Savannah, Ga., Society .....	"	1881
Texas General Society .....	"	1890

**Statistical Table of Membership and Representatives**

Associations.	No. Societies.	No. Ministers.	No. Members.	Delegate Representation.
California .....	4	6	209	6
Canada .....	5	1	206	6
Illinois .....	15	9	916	20
Kansas .....	2	4	150*	5
Maine .....	3	3	134	4
Maryland .....	7	7	418	10
Massachusetts .....	19	21	1,659	35
Michigan .....	3	1	177	5
New York.....	10	6	596	13
Ohio .....	11	8	783†	17
Pacific Coast.....	2	1	94*	3
Pennsylvania .....	6	6	591	13
The German Synod of the New Church....	5	0	120	4
Connecticut .....	1	1	55	3
Denver, Colo., Society..	1	1	30	2
Iowa General Society...	1	0	50*	3
Jacksonville, Fla., Society	1	0	13*	2
St. Paul Society.....	1	0	30*	2
Savannah, Ga., Society..	1	0	15*	2
Texas General Society..	1	0	100*	4
	99	75	6,346	159

\*Estimated.

†Including Pittsburgh, Pa.

**RECAPITULATION.**

Ministers reporting through Associations or Societies.....	75
Other ministers connected with the Convention.....	23
	_____
Ministerial membership.....	98
Delegate representation.....	159
	_____
Voting Membership.....	257
Authorized Candidates and Preachers.....	6

Note.—The above table shows the membership of Convention, but does not include all believers in the doctrines of the New Church in this country, among whom there are several thousand who, by reason of isolation as to residence, are not connected with organized societies of the church.

## Ministers of the General Convention

### \*Chronological List

#### GENERAL PASTORS.

1. John Faulkner Potts, ordained Oct. 16, 1866; consecrated Aug. 13, 1882.
2. John Goddard, ordained Feb. 4, 1866; invested with the office June 3, 1883.
3. Frank Sewall, D. D., ordained Aug. 23, 1863; invested with the office May 28, 1893.
4. William Loring Worcester, ordained Dec. 13, 1885; invested with the office June 4, 1899.
5. James Reed, ordained April 1, 1860; invested with the office May 27, 1900.
6. John Sargon Saul, ordained Oct. 17, 1872; temporarily invested with the powers of General Pastor Feb. 21, 1905.
7. Samuel S. Seward, ordained Oct. 15, 1869; invested with the office June 13, 1908.
8. Julian K. Smyth, ordained Jan. 5, 1879; invested with the office Feb. 22, 1909; inducted by religious ceremony May 12, 1912.
9. Louis George Hoeck, ordained June 10, 1894; invested with the office May 22, 1910.
10. Baman N. Stone, ordained Aug. 27, 1882; temporarily invested with the powers of General Pastor May 12, 1912.

#### PASTORS AND MINISTERS.

11. John Curtis Ager.....	Ordained Sept.	16, 1860
12. C. Louis Carrière.....	" May	4, 1862
13. Charles Hardon.....	" Dec.	4, 1864
14. Charles H. Mann.....	" Oct.	9, 1867
15. Joseph Worcester.....	" Nov.	3, 1867
16. Berry Edmiston.....	" May	1, 1870
17. Stephen Jepson.....	" Aug.	18, 1872
18. Horace W. Wright.....	" Oct.	15, 1874
19. James M. Shepherd.....	" June	3, 1877
20. Jacob Kimm.....	" Oct.	23, 1877
21. William A. L. Campbell.....	" June	22, 1879
22. Orson L. Barler.....	" Nov.	1, 1879
23. D. Vinton Bowen.....	" April	8, 1880
24. Adolph Roeder.....	" April	25, 1880
25. John Whitehead.....	" June	6, 1880
26. Howard C. Dunham.....	" Aug.	29, 1880
27. George Lawrence Allbutt.....	" Oct.	20, 1880
28. Thomas A. King.....	" Mar.	27, 1881
29. Jacob E. Werren.....	" Mar.	26, 1882
30. Joseph S. David.....	" April	6, 1882
31. Eugene D. Daniels.....	" June	3, 1883

\*All addresses of ministers will be found in the Alphabetical List.

32. William H. Schliffer.....	Ordained June	10, 1883
33. Eugene J. E. Schreck.....	" June	10, 1883
34. John T. V. Croy.....	" Feb.	15, 1885
35. Henry Clinton Hay.....	" Oct.	1, 1885
36. William Diehl.....	" Dec.	20, 1885
37. Gardner I. Ward.....	" Feb.	8, 1886
38. Henry H. Grant.....	" May	30, 1886
39. Frank Levi Higgins.....	" May	30, 1886
40. John Edward Smith.....	" May	30, 1886
41. George Stevens Wheeler.....	" May	20, 1888
42. William M. MacIntosh.....	" Feb.	22, 1889
43. George Henry Dole.....	" Oct.	6, 1889
44. Louis G. Landenberger.....	" Jan.	10, 1890
45. Junius B. Spiers.....	" June	14, 1890
46. Percy Billings.....	" June	14, 1890
47. Albert Björck.....	" Aug.	17, 1890
48. Benjamin P. Unruh.....	" Oct.	12, 1890
49. Louis Rich.....	" Dec.	14, 1890
50. John W. MacPherson.....	" May	24, 1891
51. Charles Augustus Nussbaum.....	" Nov.	18, 1891
52. Clarence Lathbury.....	" April	7, 1892
53. Adam Bouse Dolly.....	" Feb.	26, 1893
54. Lewis Field Hite.....	" May	28, 1893
55. John R. Stephenson.....	" June	19, 1893
56. Hiram Vrooman.....	" Feb.	22, 1894
57. Ferdinand Muhlert.....	" Nov.	25, 1894
58. Albert B. Francisco.....	" April	28, 1895
59. William H. Adkins.....	" May	16, 1895
60. Samuel Worcester.....	" June	4, 1896
61. Soren Christian Brönniche.....	" Oct.	4, 1896
62. William Paul Harthill.....	" July	18, 1897
63. Chauncey Giles Hubbell.....	" Oct.	16, 1897
64. James Taylor.....	" April	7, 1898
65. Frank August Gustafson.....	" Mar.	19, 1899
66. Charles W. Harvey.....	" June	10, 1900
67. George Wengel.....	" Sept.	16, 1900
68. Alexander Henry.....	" Sept.	16, 1900
69. Russell Eaton.....	" Sept.	16, 1900
70. James Edward Thomas.....	" Sept.	16, 1900
71. Abraham Knobel.....	" June	2, 1901
72. Klaas Peters.....	" July	13, 1902
73. Peter Hiebert.....	" July	13, 1902
74. Herbert Center Small.....	" July	20, 1902
75. John Ramsey Hunter.....	" Nov.	2, 1902
76. A. H. Huxmann.....	Recognized June	27, 1903
77. Clyde Washburn Broomell.....	Ordained Oct.	18, 1903
78. John Wesley Stockwell.....	" Dec.	1, 1903
79. Paul Sperry.....	" Aug.	27, 1905
80. Thomas French, Jr.....	" Sept.	17, 1905
81. George Gay Daniel.....	" May	20, 1906
82. Eli Wilkinson Shields.....	" Oct.	7, 1906
83. Gaston John Fercken.....	" Oct.	28, 1906
84. Harold Sargent Conant.....	" Jan.	6, 1907
85. Adolf Ludwig Goerwitz.....	" May	19, 1907
86. Everett K. Bray.....	" Oct.	20, 1907
87. George E. Morgan.....	" Dec.	8, 1907
88. Warren Goddard.....	" April	12, 1908

89. Robert S. Fischer.....	Ordained	Nov.	6, 1908
90. Charles Edgar Ritter.....	"	Nov.	8, 1908
91. Charles S. Mack, M. D.....	"	Dec.	10, 1908
92. Jean Paul Dresser.....	"	June	27, 1909
93. Jacob Schroeder.....	"	July	18, 1909
94. William Frederick Wunsch.....	"	Sept.	5, 1909
95. Maro F. Underwood, M. D.....	"	May	22, 1910
96. E. M. Lawrence Gould.....	"	June	9, 1910
97. Axel Lundeberg.....	"	Nov.	6, 1911
98. Abraham Simons.....	"	Nov.	6, 1911

## AUTHORIZED CANDIDATES AND PREACHERS.

99. Horace H. Werren (renewed by Rev. James Reed to April 19, 1913).....	Authorized April 19, 1906
100. T. Mower Martin (renewed by Rev. J. K. Smyth to June 9, 1912).....	" June 9, 1910
101. John H. Enns (renewed to June 30, 1912, by Rev. J. K. Smyth).....	" July 31, 1909
102. Rodney D. Book, M. D. (renewed by Rev. James Reed to May 15, 1912)....	" May 15, 1910
103. Leslie Eric Wethey (authorized by Rev. James Reed).....	" June 26, 1911
104. Louis Alexander Dole (authorized by Rev. Frank Sewall).....	" Sept. 15, 1911

## Alphabetical List

The numbers refer to the Chronological List, where date of ordination or authorization is given.

59. Adkins, William H., Winslow, Ark.
11. Ager, John Curtis, 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.
27. Allbutt, G. Lawrence, 3005 Pennsylvania Ave., Baltimore, Md.
22. Barler, Orson L., Beatrice, Neb.
46. Billings, Percy, 1143 E. 46th St., Chicago, Ill.
47. Björck, Albert, 122 W. Howe St., Seattle, Wash.
102. Book, Rodney D., M. D., Corning, Ohio.
23. Bowen, D. Vinton, Yarmouthport, Mass.
86. Bray, Everett K., 2753 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.
61. Brönniche, Soren Christian, Boyesgade St., Copenhagen, Denmark.
77. Broomell, Clyde Washburn, 105 E. Mulberry Ave., San Antonio, Texas.
21. Campbell, William A. L., 1402 34th St., Galveston, Texas.
12. Carrière, C. Louis, 2128 St. Louis Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
84. Conant, Harold S., 714 E. 21st St., Baltimore, Md.
34. Croy, John T. V., Spring Valley, San Diego Co., Cal.
81. Daniel, George Gay, 36 Franklin St., Selma, Ala.
31. Daniels, Eugene D., 15 Water St., North, Berlin, Ontario, Canada.
30. David, Joseph S., 1640 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, Cal.
36. Diehl, William, 148 Cornelia St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
43. Dole, George Henry, 415 Delaware Ave., Wilmington, Del.
104. Dole, Louis Alexander, Alleban, N. Y.
53. Dolly, Adam Bouse, Horton, West Va.
92. Dresser, Jean Paul, 799 Park Ave., New York, N. Y.
26. Dunham, Howard C., 1620 Clarkson St., Denver, Colo.
69. Eaton, Russell, Urbana, Ohio.

16. Edmiston, Berry, 533 Grand Ave., Riverside, Cal.
101. Enns, John H., Rosenort, Manitoba, Canada.
83. Fercken, Gaston John, Curepipe Road, Mauritius Island.
89. Fischer, Robert S., 2129 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
58. Francisco, Albert B., 820 Sunset Ave., Dallas, Texas.
80. French, Thomas, Jr., 1823 South Hoover St., Los Angeles, Cal.
2. Goddard, John, 52 Brookside Ave., Newtonville, Mass.
88. Goddard, Warren, 212 Maple Ave., La Porte, Ind.
96. Gould, E. M. Lawrence, 175 Mt. Vernon St., Newtonville, Mass.
85. Goerwitz, Adolf Ludwig, 10 Sonnegg Str., Zürich, IV., Switzerland.
38. Grant, Henry H., Kennedy Heights, Cincinnati, Ohio.
65. Gustafson, Frank August, Poplar Grove, Ill.
13. Hardon, Charles, Contoocook, N. H.
62. Harthill, William Paul, Pine City, Washington.
66. Harvey, Charles W., 214 North 34th St., W., Philadelphia, Pa.
35. Hay, Henry Clinton, 26 Coolidge St., Boulevard Station, Boston, Mass.
68. Henry, Alexander, 2731 Franklin St., Denver, Colo.
73. Hiebert, Peter, Chaplin, Saskatchewan, Canada.
39. Higgins, Frank Levi, Fairhope, Ala.
54. Hite, Lewis Field, 42 Arlington St., Cambridge, Mass.
9. Hoeck, Louis George, 850 Oak St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
63. Hubbell, Chauncey Giles, Lexington, Mass.
75. Hunter, John Ramsey, 13214 Forest Hill Ave., Cleveland, O.
76. Huxmann, A. H., Pretty Prairie, Kan.
17. Jepson, Stephen, 272 Belmont St., Fall River, Mass.
20. Kimm, Jacob, Box 28, Pine City, Washington.
28. King, Thomas A., 15 Mars Ave., Lakewood, Ohio.
71. Knobel, Abraham, 3874 Third St., San Diego, Cal.
44. Landenberger, Louis G., 3741 Windsor Pl., St. Louis, Mo.
52. Lathbury, Clarence, Elmwood, Mass.
97. Lundeberg, Axel, 2425 18th Ave., So., Minneapolis, Minn.
42. McIntosh, William M., Peach Blossom, near Easton, Md., R. F. D. No. 4.
50. MacPherson, John W., 4508 Frankford Ave., Frankford, Pa.
91. Mack, Charles S., M. D., 2353 Maplewood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.
14. Mann, Charles H., 251 W. 100th St., New York, N. Y.
100. Martin, T. Mower, 225 Cottingham St., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
87. Morgan, George E., Peabody, Kan.
57. Muhlert, Ferdinand, 720 East 32nd St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
51. Nussbaum, Charles Augustus, 4530 McPherson Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
72. Peters, Klaas, Herbert, Saskatchewan, Canada.
1. Potts, John Faulkner, Bryn Athyn, Pa.
5. Reed, James, 12 Louisburg Sq., Boston, Mass.
49. Rich, Louis, 342 West 70th St., Chicago, Ill.
90. Ritter, Charles Edgar, Winchester Chambers, Springfield, Mass.
24. Roeder, Adolph, 80 Cleveland St., Orange, N. J.
6. Saul, John Sargon, 510 Steinway Bldg., Chicago, Ill.
32. Schliffer, William H., 83 So. Second St., New York, N. Y.
33. Schreck, Eugene J. E., care Mr. Andrew Eadie "Inveralan," 62 Aytoun Road, Pollokshields, Glasgow, Scotland.
93. Schroeder, Jacob, Larned, Kan.
3. Sewall, Frank, D. D., 1618 Riggs Pl., Washington, D. C.
7. Seward, Samuel S., 205 Wendell Ave., Pittsfield, Mass.

19. Shepherd, James M., Pontiac, Mich.
82. Shields, Eli Wilkinson, 672 Ouachita Ave., Hot Springs, Ark.
98. Simons, Abraham, 831 E. 39th St., Chicago, Ill.
74. Small, Herbert Center, 209 Concord St., Woodfords, Portland, Maine.
40. Smith, John Edward, 512 South 47th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
8. Smyth, Julian K., 230 West 59th St., New York, N. Y.
79. Sperry, Paul, 46 West Rosseter St., Brockton, Mass.
45. Spiers, Junius B., 901 West Main St., Richmond, Va.
55. Stephenson, John R., 120 Parkhurst St., North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.
78. Stockwell, John Wesley, Frankford, Pa.
10. Stone, Baman N., Fryeburg, Maine.
64. Taylor, James, Hingham, Mass.
70. Thomas, James Edward, 601 Dauphin St., Mobile, Ala.
95. Underwood, Maro F., M. D., 1546 5th St., San Diego, Cal.
48. Unruh, Benjamin P., Pawnee Rock, Kan.
56. Vrooman, Hiram, Crystola, Colo.
37. Ward, Gardner I., Lancaster, Mass.
67. Wengel, George, Fort Hunter, Pa.
99. Werren, Horace H., Landrum, S. C., R. F. D. No. 3.
29. Werren, Jacob E., 1667 Cambridge St., Cambridge, Mass.
103. Wethey, Leslie Eric, 6937 Stewart Ave., Chicago, Ill.
41. Wheeler, George Stevens, 318 Elmwood Ave., Providence, R. I.
25. Whitehead, John, 57 Dana St., Cambridge, Mass.
15. Worcester, Joseph, 1030 Vallejo St., San Francisco, Cal.
60. Worcester, Samuel, Moss Hill Villa, So. Norwalk, Conn.
4. Worcester, William Loring, 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, Mass.
18. Wright, Horace W., 107 Pinckney St., Boston, Mass.
94. Wunsch, William F., 21 Whiting St., Roxbury, Mass.

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Rev. George S. Wheeler, *Preacher*; Rev. Russell Eaton, *Alternate*.

## COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM.

The Chairman, the Secretary and the Pastor of the Society with which the Council will hold its next meeting.

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(See By-Laws, Article XI; also *Journal*, 1893, Minutes 35, 36, 52, and 76.)

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John F. Seekamp, N. Y.  
Rev. J. P. Dresser, N. Y.

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Rev. S. S. Seward, Mass.  
Rev. J. K. Smyth, N. Y.  
R. B. Carter, Mass.  
Rev. W. L. Worcester, Mass.  
R. A. Shaw, N. Y.

## TERM EXPIRES 1915.

O. J. Mills, N. Y.  
Frederic Schoff, Penn.  
Charles N. Mason, N. Y.  
W. N. Hobart, Ohio  
E. P. Call, N. Y.

## TERM EXPIRES 1916.

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## TERM EXPIRES 1914.

## TERM EXPIRES 1915.

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Rev. Julian K. Smyth. Rev. S. S. Seward. William McGeorge, Jr.  
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Rev. George S. Wheeler. Robert A. Shaw. Rev. Baman N. Stone.

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(Incorporated May 17, 1881. *See* Minute 36, JOURNAL, 1880.)

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(JOURNAL, 1909, Minute 150.)

J. R. Carter.

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R. A. Shaw.

W. N. Hobart.

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TERM EXPIRES 1913.

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Wm. McGeorge, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.

Awbrey N. Shaw, Brooklyn, N. Y.

TERM EXPIRES 1914.

Rev. W. L. Worcester, Cambridge, Mass.

Rev. Louis G. Hoeck, Cincinnati, O.

Rev. E. J. E. Schreck, Glasgow, Scotland.

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Rev. Paul Sperry, Brockton, Mass.

Richard B. Carter, Newtonville, Mass.

Rev. Wm. F. Wunsch, Roxbury, Mass.

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(JOURNAL, 1894, Minutes 24, 61, 82, 116-118.)

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(*JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 69.*)

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(*JOURNAL, 1907, Minutes 12, 109, 110.*)

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(JOURNAL, 1891, Minute 94; JOURNAL, 1892, Minute 107; JOURNAL, 1905, Minute 169.)

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(JOURNAL, 1905, Minutes 151, 185.)

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 Miss Ednah C. Silver, and the Officers.

#### The Bissell Estate.

(JOURNAL, 1899, Minutes 126, 127; JOURNAL, 1901, Minute 189.)  
 Appointment of James Richard Carter as Attorney in fact.

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(JOURNAL, 1906, Minute 154.)

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(*JOURNAL*, 1911. Minute 90.)

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(*JOURNAL*, 1912. Minutes 60, 64.)

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**Committee on Messenger.**

(*JOURNAL*, 1912. Minutes 88, 91.)

Rev. George H. Dole.

Rev. John Whitehead.

Mr. E. H. Alden.

## Matters Referred to Officers and Committees

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### *To the President.*

1. To visit State Associations. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 85.)
2. Preparation of Minutes in conjunction with Secretaries. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 101.)

### *To Secretaries.*

1. Request the several Societies to see that the existence and location of their houses of worship be appropriately noticed. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 85.)
2. Communicate with various Societies requesting them to consider the desirability of subscribing to the *Messenger* to be sent to local members unable to subscribe. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 90.)
3. Preparation of Minutes in conjunction with the President. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 101.)

### *To the General Council.*

1. Reorganization of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 41, 55-59, 64, 65; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 127.)
2. Memorial church buildings in Stockholm. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 36; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 31.)
3. Appropriation of money for expert service in reaching press during the annual sessions of Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 120.)
4. Securing pure Latin text of the *Arcana Coelestia* in co-operation with American Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 39.)
5. To put at the service of the President, Mr. Smyth, such form of assistance as is necessary for him to continue the work he has done during the past year. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 50.)
6. Invitations from California for Convention to meet in San Francisco and in San Diego in 1915. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 55.)
7. Legality of transacting business in Canada if Convention should accept an invitation to meet there. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 57.)
8. Suggestions that the work of several publishing boards of the New Church be consolidated as far as practicable. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 84.)
9. Recommendations of Bureau of Information. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 92.)

### *To the Council of Ministers.*

1. Translation of the Word. (*JOURNAL*, 1877, Minutes 47-49; *JOURNAL*, 1892, Minute 18.)
2. Suggestion contained in report of Massachusetts Association of the need of a uniform creed. (*JOURNAL*, 1900, Minute 23.)

*To the Board of Home and Foreign Missions.*

1. Reorganization of the Board of Missions jointly with the General Council. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 127.)
2. Increase of the Endowment Fund. (*JOURNAL*, 1890, Minute 72; *JOURNAL*, 1897, Minute 76.)
3. Employment of a General Missionary. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 128.)
4. Ministerial services, supply of, in outlying districts. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minute 60.)
5. Introduction of the Heavenly Doctrines into Japan, India, and into Latin, Spanish, and Portuguese countries. (*JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 175; *JOURNAL*, 1907, Minutes 105, 106; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 63.)

*To the New-Church Board of Publication.*

1. Publication of Sunday-school Manuals. (*JOURNAL*, 1890, Minute 65.)
2. Publication of Collections of Prayers and Rites. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 19.)
3. Publication of the Psalter. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 69.)
4. Publication of the new Book of Worship. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 67.)
5. Advertising "The Economy of the Animal Kingdom" and "The Soul or Rational Psychology." (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 24.)

*To Trustees of Ingerich Publication Fund.*

1. Recommendation of gift of Brief Exposition of the Doctrines of the New Church in the Latin language to the Catholic clergy. (*JOURNAL*, 1901, Minute 35.)
2. Matter of publication of abridged edition of "True Christian Religion." (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minute 74.)

*To the Committee on Publication of Swedenborg's Manuscripts.*

1. Photolithographing the Manuscripts of Swedenborg. (*JOURNAL*, 1887, Minutes 29-39; *JOURNAL*, 1888, Minute 93; *JOURNAL*, 1891, Minute 88; *JOURNAL*, 1896, Minutes 31, 32.)
2. Authority to make contracts for Photolithographing the Manuscripts of Swedenborg and draw on available funds. (*JOURNAL*, 1896, Minute 68.)
3. Contributions for publishing the Scientific and Philosophic Writings of Swedenborg. (*JOURNAL*, 1901, Minutes 69, 73.)
4. Report on Mr. Stroh's research and editorial work to be made directly to Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1910, Minutes 91-94.)

*To the Literary Bureau.*

1. Advertising Swedenborg's Theological Works. (*JOURNAL*, 1908, Minutes 100, 110; *JOURNAL*, 1909, Minutes 56, 57.)

*To the Managers of the New-Church Theological School.*

1. Introduction of courses of study of Swedenborg's scientific system. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 24.)

*To the National Committee on House of Worship  
in Washington, D. C.*

1. Instructed to co-operate with the Washington Society in the prosecution of the work of building the National Church. (*JOURNAL*, 1894, Minute 120; *JOURNAL*, 1896, Minutes 88, 89; *JOURNAL*, 1906, Minutes 99, 100, 117.)
2. To complete Sunday-School Building. (*JOURNAL*, 1911, Minute 14.)

*To the Committee on Transportation.*

1. Arrangements for reduced fares to Convention. (*JOURNAL*, 1889, Minute 126; *JOURNAL*, 1890, Minute 33; *JOURNAL*, 1891, Minute 94; *JOURNAL*, 1892, Minute, 107.)

*To the Committee on Business.*

1. To arrange for the official roll of Convention previous to the election of officers. (*JOURNAL*, 1905, Minute 111.)
2. Assignment of a complete day to the Sunday-School Association. (*JOURNAL*, 1909, Minute 135.)

*To the Committee on Education.*

1. Authority to print paper on "Religious Instruction during the High School Period," and to distribute it to religious and educational organizations. (*JOURNAL*, 1912, Minute 93.)

*To the Committee on Reduction of Price of Messenger.*

The advisability of reducing the subscription price of the *Messenger* to two dollars per year. (*JOURNAL*, 1912. Minute 88.)

## List of Places and Dates of the Meetings of the General Convention

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No. of Meeting.	Place of Meeting.	President.	Date of Meeting.
First.....	Philadelphia....Rev.	John Hargrove.....	May 15-17.....1817
Second.....	Baltimore....."	"	April 30-May 2, 1818
Third.....	Philadelphia...."	"	May 11-13.....1820
Fourth.....	New York.....Rev.	Lewis Beers.....	July 2-8.....1821
Fifth.....	Philadelphia....Rev.	John Hargrove.....	June 3-5.....1822
Sixth.....	Baltimore....."	"	June 5-7.....1823
Seventh.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 3-5.....1824
Eighth.....	New York....."	"	June 1-3.....1826
Ninth.....	Baltimore....."	"	June 7-9.....1827
Tenth.....	Boston.....Rev.	Maskell M. Carll.....	Aug. 14-16.....1828
Eleventh.....	Boston.....Rev.	Lewis Beers.....	Aug. 18-15.....1829
Twelfth.....	Philadelphia....Rev.	John Hargrove.....	June 3-5.....1830
Thirteenth.....	New York....."	"	June 2-4.....1831
Fourteenth.....	Boston.....Rev.	Thomas Worcester.....	Aug. 16.....1832
Fifteenth.....	Boston.....Rev.	Lewis Beers.....	June 6-8.....1833
Sixteenth.....	Philadelphia....Rev.	Charles I. Doughty....	June 5-7.....1834
Seventeenth.....	New York....."	"	June 11-13.....1835
Eighteenth.....	Boston....."	"	June 16-18.....1836
Nineteenth.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 1-3.....1837
Twenty-tenth.....	New York....."	"	June 14-16.....1838
Twenty-First.....	Boston.....Rev.	Thomas Worcester.....	June 12-15.....1839
Twenty-Second.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 8-7.....1840
Twenty-Third.....	New York....."	"	June 2-4.....1841
Twenty-Fourth.....	Boston....."	"	June 8-11.....1842
Twenty-Fifth.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 14-16.....1843
Twenty-Sixth.....	New York....."	"	June 12-14.....1844
Twenty-Seventh.....	Boston....."	"	June 11-15.....1845
Twenty-Eighth.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 10-18.....1846
Twenty-Ninth.....	New York....."	"	June 9-13.....1847
Thirtieth.....	Boston....."	"	June 14-19.....1848
Thirty-First.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 13-17.....1849
Thirty-Second.....	New York.....Rev.	Maskell M. Carll.....	June 12-15.....1850
Thirty-Third.....	Boston.....Rev.	Thomas Worcester.....	June 11-15.....1851
Thirty-Fourth.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 9-13.....1852
Thirty-Fifth.....	Chicago....."	"	June 8-15.....1853
Thirty-Sixth.....	Portland....."	"	June 21-26.....1854
Thirty-Seventh.....	Boston....."	"	June 27-July 1....1855
Thirty-Eighth.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 4-8.....1856
Thirty-Ninth.....	Cincinnati....."	"	June 10-14.....1857
Fortieth.....	Boston....."	"	June 9-13.....1858
Forty-First.....	Philadelphia...."	"	June 8-12.....1859
Forty-Second.....	Chicago....."	"	June 20-24.....1860
Forty-Third.....	Boston....."	"	June 11-15.....1863

No. of Meeting.	Place of Meeting.	President.	Date of Meeting.
Forty-Fourth.....	Philadelphia....	Rev. Thomas Worcester.....	June 10-14.....1863
Forty-Fifth.....	New York.....	" " "	June 8-12.....1864
Forty-Sixth.....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 14-18.....1865
Forty-Seventh.....	Boston.....	" " "	June 1-5.....1866
Forty-Eighth.....	Cincinnati.....	" " "	June 7-11.....1867
Forty-Ninth.....	Portland.....	" " "	July 10-14.....1868
Fiftieth.....	New York.....	" " "	June 16-20.....1869
Fifty-First.....	Philadelphia.....	" " "	June 17-21.....1870
Fifty-Second.....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 9-13.....1871
Fifty-Third.....	Boston.....	" " "	June 7-18.....1872
Fifty-Fourth.....	Cincinnati.....	" " "	June 6-10.....1873
Fifty-Fifth.....	New York.....	Rev. Chauncey Giles.....	June 4-8.....1875
Fifty-Sixth.....	Philadelphia.....	" " "	June 9-13.....1876
Fifty-Seventh.....	Cincinnati.....	" " "	June 1-5.....1877
Fifty-Eighth.....	Boston.....	" " "	May 31-June 4.....1878
Fifty-Ninth.....	New York.....	" " "	May 30-June 3.....1879
Sixtieth.....	Portland.....	" " "	June 18-21.....1880
Sixty-First.....	Washington.....	" " "	May 30-31.....1881
Sixty-Second.....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 9-13.....1882
Sixty-Third.....	Boston.....	" " "	June 1-5.....1883
Sixty-Fourth.....	Philadelphia.....	" " "	May 28-31.....1884
Sixty-Fifth.....	Cincinnati.....	" " "	May 28-31.....1885
Sixty-Sixth.....	New York.....	" " "	May 27-30.....1886
Sixty-Seventh.....	Detroit.....	" " "	June 9-12.....1887
Sixty-Eighth.....	Boston.....	" " "	May 19-22.....1888
Sixty-Ninth.....	Washington.....	" " "	May 25-28.....1889
Seventieth.....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 21-24.....1890
Seventy-First.....	Philadelphia.....	" " "	May 23-26.....1891
Seventy-Second.....	Cincinnati.....	" " "	May 14-17.....1892
Seventy-Third.....	New York.....	" " "	May 27-30.....1893
Seventy-Fourth.....	Boston.....	Rev. John Worcester.....	June 9-12.....1894
Seventy-Fifth.....	Philadelphia.....	" " "	June 1-4.....1895
Seventy-Sixth.....	Washington.....	" " "	May 3-5.....1896
Seventy-Seventh.....	St. Louis.....	" " "	May 15-18.....1897
Seventy-Eighth.....	Cleveland.....	" " "	June 11-14.....1898
Seventy-Ninth.....	Boston.....	" " "	June 3-6.....1898
Eightieth.....	Cincinnati.....	Rev. Samuel S. Seward.....	May 26-29.....1900
Eighty-First.....	Brooklyn.....	" " "	June 1-4.....1901
Eighty-Second.....	Philadelphia.....	" " "	May 24-27.....1902
Eighty-Third.....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 27-30.....1903
Eighty-Fourth.....	Washington.....	" " "	May 21-24.....1904
Eighty-Fifth.....	Boston.....	" " "	June 10-14.....1905
Eighty-Sixth.....	Cincinnati.....	" " "	May 19-23.....1906
Eighty-Seventh.....	Philadelphia.....	" " "	May 18-22.....1907
Eighty-Eighth.....	Cleveland and Lakewood, O.	" " "	June 13-17.....1908
Eighty-Ninth.....	Brockton.....	" " "	June 12-16.....1909
Ninetieth.....	New York.....	" " "	May 21-25.....1910
Ninety-First.....	Chicago.....	" " "	June 10-14.....1911
Ninety-Second.....	Washington....	Rev. Julian K. Smyth.....	May 11-14.....1912

## Directory

**OF PLACES CONTAINING NEW-CHURCH SOCIETIES OR CIRCLES IN AFFILIATION WITH THE GENERAL CONVENTION, WITH THE NAMES OF MINISTERS OR LEADERS.**

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New York, N. Y. The New-Church Board of Publication, 3 West 29th St.  
Philadelphia, Pa. New-Church Book Association, 2129 Chestnut St.  
St. Louis, Mo. New-Church Book Room, cor. Delmar and Spring Avea.  
Washington, D. C. New-Church Library, 16th and Corcoran Sts.  
Wilmington, Del. New-Church Book Room, 415 Delaware Ave.

**ENGLAND.**

London, W. C. The Swedenborg Society, 1 Bloomsbury St.  
Manchester, Corporation St.

**Form of a Legacy**

I give to "The General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America," a body corporate, incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois, the sum of dollars [for the use of its Board of Home and Foreign Missions]; or [for the use of its Board of Trustees of the National Church in Washington, D. C.]; or [for the use of its Board of Trustees of the Pension Fund]; or [for the use of its Board of Trustees of the Orphan Fund]; or [for the use of its Board of Trustees of the New-Church Building Fund]; or [for the use of its Augmentation Fund]; or for such other specific use as the testator may desire the money applied to.

**FORM OF A DEVISE OF LAND.**

I give and devise to [here insert names of trustees and description of property], in trust for the maintenance of the missionary work of "The General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America," a body corporate, incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois, under the charge of its "Board of Home and Foreign Missions." And the said trustees are empowered to sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of the said property at any time, and to invest the proceeds for the use of the said Convention.

[Where the gift is to be applied to some particular use, the intention of the testator should be distinctly stated, and the use specified.]

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**Form of a Legacy****TO THE WALTHAM SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.**

I give and bequeath to the New-Church Institute of Education, a corporation legally created under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and located in Waltham in said Commonwealth, the sum of dollars for the general purposes and uses of said Institute of Education.

## Form of a Legacy

### TO URBANA UNIVERSITY.

I give and bequeath to the Trustees and their successors of Urbana University, located in the City of Urbana, in Champaign County and State of Ohio, the sum of        dollars, to be at the disposal of said Trustees for the general purposes and uses of said University.

[Where the gift is to be applied in the two foregoing instances to some particular use, the intention of the testator should be distinctly stated, and the use clearly specified. Those who intend making such bequests are earnestly advised to follow the "Recommendations of the Committee of Lawyers on Bequests and Devises, adopted 1883," and published elsewhere in the *Convention Journal*.]

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## Recommendations

### OF THE COMMITTEE OF LAWYERS ON BEQUESTS AND DEVISES, ADOPTED 1883.

*First.* The committee earnestly recommend that any person intending to make testamentary disposition of his or her property in favor of the General Convention, or any of its organized agencies in the various uses of the Church, should consult able counsel and be guided by them. The committee desire to call especial attention to this recommendation, and state as their reason for doing so, that the examination made by them of the very different laws of the several States absolutely demonstrates the utmost necessity for this course.

*Second.* They also submit the following technical suggestions: Unless perfectly certain that the laws of the State where the property is situate permit foreign corporations for charitable purposes to hold real estate, do not make devise or real estate to the Convention, or any of its various boards, but make a bequest of a given amount of money or other personal property. But where the property to be disposed of consists in whole or in part of real estate, the will disposing of the same should contain an express direction to the executor to sell and convert the real estate to enable them to pay the legacies. This direction is absolutely necessary in the case of real estate situate in the States of California, Dakota, Delaware, Maryland, Mississippi, New York, Pennsylvania, and probably in other States.



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